

George Weeks

1891 census – 16, Carisbrooke Road, Carisbrooker

<i>George Weeks</i>	<i>Head</i>	<i>60</i>	<i>Miller & Corn Merchant</i>	<i>Whippingham, IW</i>
Elizth Weeks	Wife	59		Carisbrooke, IW
Lizzy M Weeks	Daughter	30		Clapham Rd, Surrey
Annie K Weeks	Daughter	27		Stockwell, Surrey
Louisa Mew	Servant	18	Domestic Servant	Shalfleet, IW

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NEWPORT

DEATH AND FUNERAL OF MR. GEORGE WEEKS - A well-known and highly esteemed resident of Newport in the person of Mr. George Weeks was, we regret to record, removed from our midst on Monday morning last after an illness of so brief a character that the intelligence of his death came as a sudden shock to his many friends. He was out on Saturday as usual, but on Sunday he had an apoplectic seizure, from the effects of which he gradually sank and died. Of the kindest and most genial nature, the late Mr. Weeks won the warm regard of all with whom he came in contact, and his death is deeply lamented by a wide circle of friends, their feeling of sorrow at his departure being mingled with one of deep sympathy with the members of the bereaved family. The deceased gentleman, who had reached the age of 67, was a native of Newport, which he left early in life and engaged in successful business pursuits in London till about 20 years ago, when he returned to the Island, going to Calbourne. He has since with his son carried on business at Calbourne, Southford, and Towngate (Newport) Mills. In former years he was actively identified with the work of the late I.W. Highway Commissioners, being a valued member and an able chairman of an important committee, and he was also a member of the Newport Burial Board.

The funeral took place at Newport Cemetery on Thursday afternoon, the interment being preceded by a choral service at the parish church. Mr. W. T. Russell at the organ played "O Rest in the Lord" before the cortège entered the church. The choir and clergy met the body at the west door and preceded it up the nave, the Vicar (Rev. H. Edmund Sharpe) reading the opening sentences and also reciting the prayers. The Rev. Miles Atkinson read the lesson, and the service in church concluded with the singing: "Now the labourer's task is o'er." The principal mourners were Mr. George D. Weeks (son), Mr. George Long (son-in-law), Messrs. William, Henry, and Frank Weeks (brothers), Mr. Spanner (brother-in-law), Mr. George Weeks, Oxford, Mr. W. Weeks, Ryde, and Mr. Burnett, Ventnor (nephews). Amongst the general body of mourners, in addition to the mill employés, were the Rev. J. Vicars (rector of Calbourne), Dr. Hutton Castle, Major W. T. Arnell, Messrs. W. T. James, T.C., C. Webb, J. Stanley, A. Whittington, T.C., A. N. Le Messurier, H. Tullidge, T. Duke, W. Hooper, W. Hooper, jun., G. Heal (Fullholding), E. Baker (Westover), W. J. Baker (Chessell), E. F. King, J. Woodnutt, C. King, T.C., H. J. Baker, and others. "I know that my Redeemer liveth" was played on the organ as the body was borne from the church. The service was concluded at the grave by the Vicar. The polished elm coffin, with brass mounts, bore the following inscription on the breastplate: "George Weeks, died July 18th, 1898, aged 67 years".

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