

**Frances Beckingsale**

**1891 Census, 23 Lugley Street, Newport, Isle of Wight**

<i>Frances Beckingsale</i>	<i>Head (widow)</i>	<i>81</i>	<i>Indpt. Means</i>	<i>Newchurch, Isle of Wight</i>
Mary E Beckingsale	Daughter	40		Newport, Isle of Wight
Clara A Hibbard	Servant	20	Cook	Wylie, Wiltshire
Martha E Davey	Servant	14	Parlour Maid	Hayling Island, Hampshire

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**Newport.**

**DEATH OF MRS. J. E. BECKINGSALE.** – We regret to record the death, on Sunday morning last, after a very short illness, in her 88<sup>th</sup> year, of the widow of the late Mr. J. E. Beckingsale, F.R.C.S., J.P. The deceased came of an old Isle of Wight family, being the last surviving daughter of Mr. William Thatcher, of Wackland. Her brother, the late Mr. William Thatcher, was the last male representative of the family, at whose death in 1875, the estate, which had been in the family since the days of the Stuarts, passed into other hands. It may be mentioned that the Thatchers were a family of sportsmen. The late Mrs. Beckingsale's father introduced foxes into the Island and owned the first pack of fox-hounds, while her brother had a pack of harriers. Up to the day of her death the memory of the lady now deceased was remarkable, and her reminiscences relating to old families of the early years of the century were full of interest. Of a retiring nature, she had a very warm-hearted and sympathetic disposition, and many were the recipients of her kindly gifts. The funeral takes place today (Thursday) at noon.

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