William Shepard

(wife :- Florence Mary Dorothy Shepard, d 3 Sept 1896; buried at Carisbrooke Cemetery)

Isle of Wight County Press – 1 January 1927

YARMOUTH.

DEATH OF MR. W. SHEPARD. – The death took place after a long period of ill-heath on Sunday of Mr. William Shepard, aged 65, who for the past six years had carried on the chemist's business in the High-street, which he acquired from Mr. W. E. Richardson, of Freshwater. Mr. Shepard was a member of an esteemed Newport family, being the third son of the late Mr. Alfred Shepard, one of the early members of the firm of Shepard Bros., carriers. He was apprenticed to Mr. H. J. Orchard, chemist in the High-street at Newport, and became a member of the Pharmaceutical Society, but on the death of his wife after only 18 months of married life he left the Island and was away some 25 years, during which he had a varied business career and travelled abroad a good deal, visiting New York, Los Angelos, and South Africa. He leaves one son (Mr. J.W. Shepard), who is a bank clerk in India. The deceased was a member of the Albany Lodge of Freemasons. The funeral took place at Newport on Thursday, the interment being at Newport Cemetery following a service at St. John's Church, the Vicar of St. John's (the Rev. W.H. Mackinnon) officiating. Those attending were Messrs. A.F., H., and P. Shepard (brothers), the Misses Shepard (sisters), Mr. A. Chappell (cousin), and Miss May (his devoted housekeeper for many years). Mr. H. Griffiths made the arrangements.

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