

FREDERICK JOSEPH JESSER HARROLD

1836-1898

A native of Ramsbury, he set out early in life to seek his fortune, which carried him to many parts of the world. He settled in China where he spent several years working for a steamship company.

Having secured a very comfortable living, he retired to Newbury in the prime of life, building a handsome house in St. John's Road. He named it "Kiu-Kiang" after one of the major ports on the Yangtze River.

(Now "Hamley Lodge")



His chief delight was floriculture, in which he excelled, as well as being an enthusiastic and efficient member of the Newbury Bowling Club.

He married his sister's daughter in London and with her had five daughters. His wife and two of the daughters share the grave.

He was an ardent Freemason having entered the order in Hong Kong in 1868. On his return to England he joined a local Newbury Lodge, became its Worshipful Master and went on to receive County Honours.

*For fuller details of his death and funeral see:-
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