

History: KS2

Histories in the Headstones



Dr Edwin Hardwicke: Died 26th August 1932 aged 72

Another well known Lye doctor was Edwin Webster Hardwicke. Dr Hardwicke and his wife Jessie did a lot of work for St Mark's Church Stambermill. She organised events and refreshments but then, suddenly they stopped. Some people think this is due to the death of their young daughter Muriel in 1904 at the age of 7. When Dr Hardwicke died he requested a funeral that *“should be of the simplest nature, and should interfere as little as possible with the normal life of the community”*.

Dr Hardwicke was the father of Sir Cedric Hardwicke, a Hollywood actor. Cedric performed for the first time at the age of 7 at Stambermill Church in an event organised to raise funds for Sunday School Prizes.

Research Questions:

1. Look at the 1911 census return for Dr Hardwicke. What was his address?

2. Can you find this address on a current map? Can you find the address on an historic map dating from around that year?

3. Find out more about Sir Cedrick Hardwicke. What films did he perform in?
