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DEATH OF MR. N. N. JEFFERYS.—Our obituary of last Saturday contained the announcement of the death of Mr. N. N. Jefferys, which took place at his residence, Hollybrook, on Tuesday, in the 86th year of his age. Mr. Jefferys formerly lived at Blightmont, but disposed of that, and bought a large portion of Shirley Common, and resided at Hollybrook. He built the first public school in Shirley, which accommodated some forty children, but as the population increased additional room was required. Mr. Jefferys at once saw this was needed, and in order to meet the educational wants of the children, he built the splendid range of schools, and handed them over to trustees for the purpose of the education of the young, and these will remain for many years as a proof of his kind-hearted and generous disposition. Indeed his charitable deeds knew no bounds, and in him the poor of Shirley have lost a true and sincere friend, one who never turned a deaf ear to those really needing assistance. Mr. Jefferys was a zealous supporter of the Royal South Hants Infirmary, and one of the committee of management, and he contributed cheerfully towards the support of many charitable institutions. On Sunday evening, at Shirley Church, the Rev. H. Bradley, the curate, briefly alluded to the death of Mr. Jefferys, pointing out the great loss the neighbourhood had sustained. The funeral of the deceased will take place to-day (Wednesday), his remains being interred in a vault in Shirley Church.