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SOUTH AISLE WINDOW 1

Date
1898

Lights
3

Firm
James Powell & Sons

Designer
Unknown

Window Subject

Adoration of the Magi
(Matthew 2:11)

Memorial Text & Dedication

To the Glory of God. In affectionate remembrance of John and Maria Sarah Ruck by their children. AD. MDCCCXCVIII (1898).

Biographical Information

John Ruck died aged 76 and was buried 18th January 1888. Maria Sarah Ruck died aged 85 and was buried on 29th December 1895. They had been married on 17th April 1834 in the city of London. In 1841 they lived in the parish of All Hallows Staining. John like his father was a wine merchant. The children living with them were Frederick (b. 1837) and Helen (b. 1838).

By 1851 the Ruck family had moved to 'Sutton Village'. The children listed in the 1851 census were Harriet (b. 1846) and Egerton (b. 1848) both born in London and Gordon. Gordon had been born in Sutton on 26th December 1850 and was baptised at St Nicholas on 1st March 1851. John's widowed mother in law, Anna Maria Sayer and another relative were living with them. Their household had a cook and footman. The children were cared for by a nurse and an under-nurse.

In 1861 the Ruck household included children Charles (b.1835), Helen, Harriet and Gordon. John's mother in law still lived with them. They had 6 servants. By 1871 the household included Frederick, Egerton and Harriet and a visiting relative. In the census John listed his 85-year-old mother in law last in the household after their 6 servants.

By 1881 the John & Maria had retired to Madron near Penzance in Cornwall with their unmarried daughters Helen and Harriet and a household of 3 servants.