



Obituary of Robert Fleetwood Fuller

Major Robert Fleetwood Fuller, High Sheriff of Wiltshire in 1926, died at his home, Great Chalfield, Melksham, on Friday at the age of 79.

The fourth son of the late George Pargiter Fuller, of Neston Park, Wiltshire, he was born on November 6, 1875, and served with the Royal Wiltshire Imperial Yeomanry during the South African War. For many years chairman of the Avon India Rubber Company, he acquired Great Chalfield Manor some years before the outbreak of war in 1914.

The moated grey stone manor had fallen into sad disrepair, and assisted by detailed drawings made by Pugin over 100 years ago when the house was in better condition, he lavished his time, energy and considerable taste in its restoration. The result was the re-creation of an extremely fine and complete example of late Gothic domestic architecture, which Major Fuller presented to the National Trust in 1942.

He married in 1911 Mabel, the second daughter of the late T. P. Chappell.

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