## **John Short**

## **Rushworth Chronicle**

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DEATH.

Short.—On the 12th May, at Chinaman's Flat, Rushworth, John Short, eldest son of the late John Short, of County Tyrone, Ireland. Aged 51 years.

Mr John Short, a well known and highly respected resident of Chinaman's Flat, Rushworth, succumbed after an illness of a few days from an attack of pleurisy and congestion of the lungs, supervening on an attack of influenza. Short, who with his brother and father (who died some years since), arrived here some 35 years ago, followed the occupation of a miner with very fair success.

He was a genius in his way. Nothing seemed to come amiss to him, from making a cricket bat or repairing a watch, and he had evidently mistaken his vocation, for he would have made his mark in any of the trades where great skill is required.

He was a fine man and although 51 years of age had never previously had a day's illness in his life.

The remains were followed by a large number of sympathisers to their last resting place, the local cemetery, on Saturday afternoon.

The Rev. J. R. Walker officiated at the grave. Mr Anderson was the undertaker.