

Max Potter

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PARALYSIS AT RUSHWORTH

One Child Dead.

It is with great regret that we have to report that the epidemic of infantile paralysis has spread to Rushworth.

Three cases of infantile Paralysis have been definitely diagnosed and one little boy has succumbed to the scourge.

The dead boy is Max Potter, four years old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Potter, who died at Mooroopna Hospital in the early hours of Thursday morning.

The greatest sympathy is felt for the parents and brothers and sisters of the unfortunate little fellow, who was a bright, sturdy boy until the sickness overtook him. He is survived by eight brothers and sisters, including a twin sister.

The case of Max potter was definitely established as infantile paralysis on Tuesday and on Wednesday two other children, a boy and a girl, were admitted to Mooroopna Hospital suffering from paralysis. In their cases, we understand, the attack is of a comparatively mild nature.

Parents are urged to isolate their children as much as possible and to positively avoid allowing them to take part in any public gathering. Attention is directed towards the instructions appearing elsewhere in this issue under the signature of the Medical Officer of Health, Dr. A. F. MacInnes.

A Max Potter is shown in the records of Rushworth cemetery.