Mr. R. Duke

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Another resident of long-standing in Rushworth to pass away during the holidays was Mr R. Duke, of Murchison road, Rushworth, whose death occurred on Thursday, 28th ult.

Deceased was a great sufferer for a considerable time previous to his death, being afflicted with that dreadful disease, cancer, which took him in the face.

Mr Duke was a resident of twenty-four years, and was held in high esteem.

He was a prominent member of the Methodist Church, and some years ago took a part as one of the assisting preachers.

He was but 54 years of age and leaves a wife and family of five children (the youngest 17 years) to lament his death.

The remains were interred in the local cemetery on Friday, a large number of people according the last tribute of respect.

The funeral service was performed by the Rev. F. J. Jennings.