Mrs. Alfred Corner

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Another of the fast diminishing race of pioneers of Rushworth passed away suddenly on Monday last, September 27th, in the person of Mrs. A. Corner, relict of the late Mr Alfred Corner, at the age of 82 years.

The deceased, who lived alone at her residence, Stanhope road, was in her usual state of health when last seen by her neighbours on Sunday night. It was noticed by Mrs. Jones, who was very attentive to Mrs. Corner, that the door of deceased's residence was open early on Monday morning. A little later the door was seen to be closed and Mrs. Jones went to see if Mrs. Corner was alright.

She called out, but received no answer and on going into the bedroom she discovered her lying dead in bed, death having evidently having taken place only a short time previously.

The late Mrs Corner was a fine type of woman who came out in the early years of this country. She was of a most genial and happy disposition and had hosts of friends, who mourn her death.

She was born in Scotland and came to Australia 74 years ago when girl, her parents dying on the voyage out, leaving three little children to battle the world alone.

She was married in Bendigo by Dr. Backhouse, and lived at Redcastle for many years. She and her husband came to Moora East, where her husband had selected land now owned by Mr. W. Davis.

She had a family of 10 children, three having predeceased her. The surviving children are: Eleanor (Mrs. Lyons) Maria (Mrs. Wilson), Alfred (Fosterville), George (Sydney), Fred (Rushworth) and Eliza (Mrs. Hockey, Shepparton).

Mr Corner died some years ago.

The funeral took place on Tuesday, the remains being interred in the Rushworth Cemetery, a number of townspeople following the remains to their last resting place. The burial service was read by Rev. Jas. Raff.