Mrs Catherine Miller

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Still another of the early pioneers has crossed the "great divide." We refer to Mrs Catherine L. Miller, of Rushworth, who passed away at her daughter's residence, the Cricketers' Inn, on Wednesday last, after a short illness, the cause of death being bronchitis and heart failure.

Deceased was a native of King's County, Ireland, and landed In Victoria in March, 1853, being a colonist of 61 years.

She first settled in Dunolly, but about 30 years ago came to Rushworth and resided here ever since. She was a kindly old lady, could not be surpassed as a neighbour and a friend, was ever ready in the time of sickness or distress, and thereby won for herself a very large circle of warm friends.

She was 85 years of age, and the mother of a large family, eight of whom are still living, viz., Mr Chas. E. Miller, Rushworth; Mr Tom. Miller, Murchison; Mr Fred. Miller, Green bushes, W.A.; Mrs Nutt, Murchison East; Mrs Butler, Diamond Creek; Mrs Klubsch, Clifton Hill; Mrs Quirk, Guildford; Mrs A. S. Darby, Rushworth.

She had 31 grand-children and 20 great grand-children. Her remains were interred in the local cemetery yesterday afternoon, a large number of friends being present at the funeral service, which was conducted by the Rev. Father Moran.