Mrs Mary Ann Rich, widow of Thomas Rich

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A very old and highly respected resident of the district, in the person of Mrs Mary Ann Rich, passed away at the residence of her daughter (Mrs Jas. E. Simpson, farmer, Moora), on Sunday morning last.

Deceased, who was relict of the late Mr Thos. A. Rich, of Nuggetty Gully, Rushworth, had reached the ripe old age of 85 years, and it was somewhat remarkable that even as late as the morning prior to her death she assisted her daughter in the performance of the household duties.

Towards evening, however, she became unwell, and passed away about five o'clock on Sunday morning, retaining consciousness to the last.

Deceased was a native of Stockport, England, and came to the colony 64 years ago.

She was a fine old lady and spent 47 years of her life in Rushworth, where she was well and favorably known. She leaves a family of two sons and four daughters, all grown up, to mourn her death.

The remains were interred in the local cemetery on Monday afternoon, the Rev. Rowell performing the funeral obsequies in the presence of a large number of mourners.

The funeral arrangements were carried out by Mr E. Anderson, undertaker.