

Mrs Samuel Furphy

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A profound sensation was produced in Rushworth on Friday when it became known that Mrs Furphy, wife of Mr Samuel Furphy, of "The Pines," Burrumboot East, had expired suddenly at Dr Heily's residence, whither she had been taken for medical advice.

It seems that Mrs Furphy had been ailing for two or three days, and it was decided, at the solicitation of her husband, that medical aid should be obtained. To this end they both started for Rushworth on Friday morning.

As will be remembered, the day was excessively hot, but Mrs Furphy did not seem to feel the heat more than usual and did not appear any the worse for the trip till she got out of the buggy, when she staggered and had to hold on to the tree guard to prevent herself from falling.

She was taken by Dr Heily into his surgery immediately, and the Doctor, seeing the dangerous state she was in, had her removed to his private residence and Dr Eadon sent for, but from the first her life was despaired of, and in about two hours from her arrival she passed peacefully away, death being caused by heat apoplexy.

Mrs Furphy, who had been a teacher in several of the State schools in the district before her marriage, was a general favorite and very highly respected.

She was an old resident of Ballarat, in which city her parents at present live.

Much sympathy is felt for Mr Furphy in his great loss, and also for her family in their bereavement.

The remains were interred in the Rushworth cemetery on Saturday afternoon, Mr Walker officiating. Mr Medhurst had charge of the funeral arrangements.