Mrs. V. Cruze (Florence Cruze)

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WOMAN'S CLOTHES CATCH FIRE

Mrs. Cruze, wife of Mr. V. Cruze, of Rushworth, met with a serious and painful accident on Wednesday. She was engaged in putting some wood in the stove fire, and left the doors open while she turned round for a minute, when the flames caught her clothing.

Her mother-in-law caught up a bucket of water which was standing near and through it over her, but not before nearly every portion of her clothing was burnt off her. The unfortunate woman was badly burnt about the body and face, her hair also being singed.

Medical aid was summoned and after being treated she was taken to the Mooroopna Hospital, where she now lies in a serious condition.

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CRUZE. – On the 20th December, at Mooroopna Hospital, Florence May, dearly loved wife of Vic., and loving mother of little Bertie and Georgie.

God holds the key of all unknown, And I am glad, If other hands should hold the key, or if he trusted it to me I might be sad.

CRUZE. – Florence May, on December 20th, second eldest daughter of E. and L. Charry and loving sister of Dorothy (Mrs. Weaver), Will, Linda and Henry.

Father in Thy gentle keeping, Leave we now our loved one sleeping.

Mrs. V. Cruze, who was the victim of a burning accident five weeks ago, succumbed to her injuries in the Mooroopna Hospital on Monday morning last, 20th inst.

The unfortunate woman was so badly burnt that she suffered great pain during the time she was in hospital, and her death was a merciful release from her terrible injuries.

She was the wife of Mr. V. Cruze, Rushworth, and was 19 years of age at the time of her death.

She was the second eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Charry, and much sympathy has been expressed for husband and relatives in their sudden and sad bereavement, She leaves her husband and two young children, the youngest being only a few weeks old.

The funeral took place on Tuesday, the remains being brought from Mooroopna and interred in the Rushworth Cemetery.

The burial service was read by the Rev. F. Grist.