Simon Dwyer

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Man Dies of Starvation

Found by Police in Pitiable Condition

On Thursday night last week Rushworth police visited a hut about 2½ miles from Rushworth, occupied by Simon Dwyer. They found Dwyer in a very weak state owing to malnutrition, and ordered his removal to Mooroopna hospital, where he died next morning.

The visit of the police was the outcome of information conveyed to them by Mr. F. Miller. It is stated that the deceased had not had anything to eat since the previous Monday, when he is known to have visited a neighbouring house and consumed a quantity of food prepared for fowls.

It is further stated that he had refused to work for sustenance, stating that the amount received was not sufficient reward.

Dwyer was 55 years of age.

A Simon Dwyer is shown in Rushworth cemetery records.