

Thomas Rich

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On Friday last one who was well-known in Rushworth for his energy for many years, but who during the past five years has been almost bedridden, passed away from amongst us.

We refer to the late Mr Thomas Rich, who came to Rushworth 18 or 19 years ago to take charge of Mr. Holmes' interest in the crushing plant and the Nuggety-hill mine. After the cessation of work at that claim Mr Rich tried his fortune in various mines here, but was only moderately successful.

About five years ago Mr Rich went to Daylesford to engage in work in that place, and very soon after was attacked by paralysis. He was brought back to Rushworth, but although he rallied for a short time, he afterwards gradually declined in health, and, as stated above, was for the greater portion of the time confined to his room.

The deceased was an energetic member of the Board of Advice, and was a ready worker in many other ways in the public interest whilst in the possession of his health.

He leaves a widow and family of six children, two sons and four daughters, all grown up.

The remains were interred in the Rushworth Cemetery on Sunday last, being followed by the very numerous friends he had made during his sojourn amongst us.