

William Rhodes

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MAN FATALLY INJURED

RECEIVES TERRIBLE INJURIES

Mr. William Rhodes, who resides with his daughter at the Waranga Basin, was attacked by a bull on Monday and received such terrible injuries that he died before medical aid could reach him.

He was leading a cow from the reserve when a bull, owned by Mr. H. Robinson, rushed at him and knocking him on the ground gored him in the lowered part of his body. His cries brought assistance and medical aid was telephoned for from Rushworth, and the Ambulance was also requisitioned, but Dr. MacInnes arrived too late as the unfortunate man died just before his arrival. The bull was subsequently destroyed.

The late Mr. Rhodes was born in Lancashire, England, and arrived, with his parents in Victoria in 1856, where he lived with them in Brunswick for some years.

He came to Rushworth 28 years ago to work on the construction of the Waranga Basin, and was one of the first foremen employed on the job. He has resided at the Basin ever since.

The late Mr. Rhodes was 82 years of age and was well-known and esteemed in Rushworth and district, and much sympathy is felt for the family in their sudden and tragic bereavement.

He leaves a family of two sons (Ashtie and Jack) and a daughter (Nellie), his wife and one son (Andrew) having predeceased him.

The funeral took place on Wednesday, the remains being interred in the Rushworth Cemetery. The burial service was conducted by Rev. C. V. J. Deverell (Anglican), Murchison, in the absence of Rev. W. A. Williams. Mr. E. F. Anderson had charge of the funeral arrangements

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THE WARANGA BASIN FATALITY

INQUEST HELD

An inquest on the death of William Rhodes, who was gored by a bull at Waranga Basin on May 9th, was held in the Courthouse, Rushworth, on Monday last, before Mr. A. J. Sleep, J.P.

Evidence in accordance with the report which appeared in our last issue was given, and a verdict returned that deceased died from injuries received by being gored by a bull.

