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Mount Magazine.

Our Mount Magazine correspondent under date 25th May, narrated circumstances which are peculiar and distressing in their bearing upon one of the chief families in the locality of Mount Magazine. Our correspondent says - On Saturday morning 22nd inst Mr Robert Cook, the family of Bathurst and father of Mr Cook of this place, breathed his last after ailing for some time. The deceased gentleman had just entered his eighty fifth year, and his declining health led his relatives to think that his end was near and they were consequently somewhat prepared. Not so however, in the case of another member of the family. Mr Wm Hart of Roadal, father of Mrs Cook. This gentleman had left Roadal some 30 miles from Orange in perfect health, just previously to visit his daughter at Mount Magazine. After a few days he became suddenly ill. Every attention that fond and loving hearts was rendered but without avail. Dr. Smith of Rosecar pronounced the case almost hopeless from the first, and Mr Hart breathed his last at half past two on Sunday afternoon.

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just as the funeral of the older relative was taking place. While Mr. Rock was following his father remains to the grave, his wife was witness- ing the last faint breathing of her father. Both losing their fathers in two days. Mr. Starr's body was conveyed to Bayonet, thence by train to Orange. Mr. Rock then leaves behind him 8 children, 11 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.
Bathurst Free Press.

We came across this article among my parents belongings. Robert Rock was your grandfather Edmund's father also my grandfather Robert Peter's father & Maria Brewer's grandmother. Harriet's father and Ann Starr was my grandmother's father. I do not know where G. Grandfather Rock was buried, but when they first came to Newville they lived on the Jackson Rd about 1 mile out of Newville, where there are still a few old Plum Trees, and then my father told me they lived in a small place south of Newville. Behind the cemetery & all that's left there now are a few guinea trees. I have an old man Red Head handed down to me by other (ones), my husband's sister, and she said it had

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been given to her mother by Aunt Harriet. It is
one with the bottom that buttons on the frame
and is stored in the left in my car shed. I spent five
weeks in England with my daughter and one
afternoon we drove to Forest just to see where
you lived.

Mrs Phillips, Grace Scott is here today & wrote
you a letter with about all she knows of the
old Robert Cook, Neville has not had a cemetery
earlier than the present one, they were buried in
the church yards before that & earlier than that
they were buried at the Home or under an ornamental
tree, but can't find anything of where the old folk
were buried, the church of England was built in
1875 so they would not have been buried there
so they could have been buried at the house under a
tree however we would like you to come & see
for yourself you would like to see some of am
able, I have been ill since last the end of April
but am feeling much better, I have the book
(the letters of John MacNeill) Grace has sent you three
photos. Thank you for your very nice letter & description of
your place I hope our letter arrives properly.
yours sincerely
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This was also posted on the same folder.

Mrs Daphia Rock.

The death occurred on Tuesday, 1st July of Mrs Daphia Rock, widow of the late Robert Peter Rock of Newcastle who died the very same day twelve months ago. Mrs Rock went to Sydney with the intention of spending the winter with her only daughter Mrs Cutting of Newtown, but contracted pneumonia and passed away very quickly. The body was brought to Blayney and thence to Newcastle for interment where a large number of friends met to pay their last respects to an old resident. Rev. Roy Mason read the funeral service and arrangements were carried out by Messrs Lam and John Rod. The late Mrs Rock was 73 years of age and had lived many years in the Newcastle district. In addition to her daughter she leaves two sons Bert and Alfred both of Newcastle.