

John Grierson (1844-1922)

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Mernda

(FROM -OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

Recently the Rider on the Pale Horse has taken toll of four residents. The first was the late Samuel Stephen Glass, who for six years had charge of the State school, a report of which recently appeared. The next death was that of Mr. John Grierson, which took place at Northcote on November 21. The deceased has reached the ripe old age of 78 years, having served 50 years with the printing firm of Sands and McDougall, Melbourne, retiring on a well-earned pension. Mr Grierson's father and the late Moses Thomas held a cattle station in the early forties in the present Diamond Creek township. The late John Grierson was educated at Mernda about 1860, but the family later moved to town. For the past forty years the deceased spent his Christmas holidays in the Plenty district with his cousin, Cr Walter Thomas. In his early years he was a fine singer, and his wife being a splendid musician their services were constantly available in the Whittlesea shire. For over fifty years he was a teacher of the Methodist Sunday School at Preston, and for a good part of the time he was superintendent.