John Welch, Senior

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Another old and well-respected resident of Whroo has joined the great majority.

The late Mr John Welsh, sen., who has been for some years in delicate health, expired very suddenly on Thursday evening last at about 11 o'clock. The immediate cause of death was the rupture of a blood vessel, through a violent attack of coughing. The sad event was entirely unanticipated, as deceased was in his usual health up to within a few minutes of his death.

The newspaper spelling was Welsh. This should have been Welch, referring to cemetery records.

His tombstone includes: "Remember me as you pass by. As you are now, so once was I.
"As I am now, so you must be. Prepare yourself to follow me."