MURRUMBIDGERIE.

(From our own Correspondent).

Nov. 1.

It is my sad duty to relate the death of Mr. William Thorley at the advanced age of 79 years. Mr. Thorley was one of the early pioneers of the district, and was a native of Windsor. Many years ago he owned some good property on the Collaroy run, but through drought and losses in stock was forced to leave that famous district. For many years he has owned property on different parts of the Murrumbidgerie holding, and latterly settled down in this parish. He was a quiet unassuming old man and an excellent neighbour. About two months ago he undertook a trip to Singleton, and on the way contracted a severe cold, which finally settled into a kidney trouble, and despite all medical skill and attention which was paid him,
he passed away on Monday last, leaving a sorrowing wife, four sons and four daughters, besides 50 grandchildren and some great-grandchildren, to mourn their loss. His remains were interred in the Church of England portion of the Murrumbidjerie cemetery. The funeral was one of the largest ever seen here, testifying to the respect in which deceased was held. The Rev. E. H. Lea officiated at the grave. After the funeral service the Rev. gentleman delivered a most impressive address at the graveside, which was listened to with very marked attention.