

Ann Lile Lewis Forsyth (1842 - 1926)

In her later years, Mrs Forsyth concentrated her energies on the work of charity and in the interest of the church at which she had long worshipped.



Mrs Forsyth was beloved by all who had the privilege of her acquaintance, and their name was legion for her life was a full one. Those who did know her personally, those who have come to the district of later years, were well aware of the splendid part she had played as a citizen, especially in the time when women were disposed to withdraw themselves from participation in the serious work of citizenship.

Mrs Forsyth accomplished an amount of excellent service. Many a patient at Royal North Shore Hospital had been cheered by her kindly and encouraging words. She was a tireless worker for the Willoughby Benevolent Society and no one ever appealed to her for personal assistance who did not go away with a gladness and encouragement in his or her heart.

Mrs. Forsyth was born in Wales, and came to Sydney when 18 years of age. In 1864, she married Thomas Todd Forsyth (whom she had met on the boat from England). The family resided in Sydney and Parramatta for a brief period, and then moved to Willoughby, where she lived for more than sixty years.