Rachel Maud TUCKER

7-5-19885 to 26-10-1913

Biography as published in 1985 & 1995

Rachel Maud was the eleventh child and fourth daughter of Annie and John Tucker and was born at *Lake View*. This was a record year for grand-daughters of Ewen and Rachel McDonald; four others were born in Victoria, first cousins to Rachel Maud. They were Beatrice Louisa McDonald, Flora Finniss Raggatt, Adelaide Margretta Mott, and Rachel Annie McDonald. Her great-grandparents were Christina and Donald McLean.

In the USA, Grover Cleveland became the twenty-second president, and in France the writer Victor Hugo died.

Rachel attended the Sandergrove Primary School and after leaving helped with the busy domestic chores on the farm. She was 17 when her mother died in 1902, and she and her sister Lucy must have borne the brunt of the household responsibilities. When Lucy married in 1905, Rachel was one of her two attendants. Some years before her death Rachel contracted tuberculosis and was nursed faithfully until she died by Rose Piercy and members of the family. Rachel is buried in *Lake View* cemetery under the same tombstone as little Nanny.

- SOURCE: This biography was from page 94 of "History of Ewen & Rachel McDonald & Descendants" by Jill McDonald which was originally published in 1985. It was republished as part of "The History of Donald & Christina McLean and Their Descendants" in 1995.
- COLONIALISTS: Christina and Donald McLean and their ten children migrated from Argyllshire to South Australia in 1837. This was in the earliest years of the colony. The McLeans initially settled near Adelaide where they grew the first wheat crop in SA. Then in about 1840 they pioneered the Strathalbyn area. There are now well over 20,000 descendants spread across Australia and elsewhere.
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