

13th January 1859

Depositions -

Taken at a Magistrate's enquiry
held before S. J. Barnard Esq
P. H. to inquire into the
Cause of death of one
Robert Healy -

W. H. X

19/1/59 Wanganui

2nd January last apparently
suffering from delirium tremens.

From that time up to the 10th inst
when he was discharged - I visited
him every night - on the 10th inst
he appeared to be perfectly sane
when I prayed for his recovery

from the lock up.
Taken & sworn before me at
Rushworth 13th January 1859

J. W. M. Simpson.

E. D. M. D. M.

Police Court

Waranga 13th January 1859

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith
Depositions taken at a Magisterial enquiry
held by me this day into the cause of
death of one Robert Healy

I am of opinion that Robert Healy
committed suicide by cutting his throat with
a knife while in a state of insanity from the
effects of drink

As no property whatever was found
on the body I have directed it to be buried
in the most economical manner at the
Public expense -

I have the honor to be
Sir

The Honorable

The Attorney General

Melbourne

Your most obedient servant

E. Barnard

Police Magistrate

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Enclosure

Magisterial Enquiry held before
C. J. Barnard Esq. M.P.

to enquire into the cause of death
of

- Robert Healy -

Who was found lying dead at the
bottom of the main gully Rushworth on
Wednesday the 12th January 1859 -

George Jenkins on oath saith I am a Puddler
residing in main gully Rushworth -

● Yesterday afternoon the 12th
January I was in the bush between
the hours of 5 & 6 o'clock - on
crossing the road at the bottom

of the main gully - I saw the
body of a dead man I recognized
the body as that of a man named
Bob - I then gave information
to the Police - I have seen the
body outside and identify it as
the same body which I found
in the Bush.

Taken & sworn before me at George Denton's
Rushworth 13th January 1859

Edmund P.

St John Bramigan on oath saith I am
officer in charge of Police at
Rushworth - between the hours
of 6 and 7 o'clock on yesterday
evening the 12th Inst. - I received
information from one George
Jenkins that a dead body
was found lying in the Bush
I proceeded to the spot &
at once recognized the body as
that of Robert Healy who was

Discharged from the lock up on
the 10th Inst. On examining the
Body I found the throat cut
as also in the left hand of the
deceased the knife now produced
which I took possession of
I had the Body searched and no
property whatever was found upon
it - I then ordered it to be
removed to Thompsons Hotel
where it has since remained in
Charge of the Police - the deceased
was found in the camp on the