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12th August 1855

The undersigned hath an
Affidavit on the body
of Mary Clark widow
Hathorne of 1st Street
aged ~~45~~⁵⁴ years

Death from
Natural Causes

W. M. Wilson
Coroner

TAKEN and Sworn before me the

day of

at

12th August
A.D. 1855,
Melbourne

W. M. Wilson
Coroner.

DEPOSITION OF WITNESS.

Victoria }
To Wit.

THE Examination of* *John Gray*
Wormley in female Gaol

* All names of Witnesses.

of *Melbourne* taken on oath this *12th*
day of *August* A.D. 1856, at *Melbourne*
City, Town, District, or County, before the undersigned, a Coroner in the said † *City* —

as the case may be.

This Deponent

on his oath saith as follows:

The deceased was admitted into the
Western Gaol on the 15th of July ult.
Her name was Mary Clark alias Catherine
O'Neil. She was sent by the Magistrates
at her own request her state being one of
distraction and her husband being in the
Hospital. She was in a very weak and emaciated
state when admitted and continued in the
same until attacked with dysentery on
Friday last. She expired last night. She
had been frequently ~~been~~ committed before
for being drunk and disorderly. Deceased
was aged 54 years —

Wm. Gray

DEPOSITION OF WITNESS.

To Wit.

THE Examination of*

* All names of Witnesses.

George Webster M.D.
Surgeon to the Gaolsof Melbourne taken on oath this 12th
day of August A.D. 1856, at Melbourne
City, Town, District, or County, before the undersigned, a Coroner in the said †
as the case may be.

This Deponent

on his oath saith as follows:

The deceased was received into this
gaol on the 15th of July ult: on account
of her destitute condition, and by her own
request. She had been in gaol on several
previous occasions - Deceased was much
emaciated and debilitated, and appeared
to be suffering from the effects of dissipated
habits. She has been confined to her bed almost
ever since her admission. On Saturday last
she was attacked with dysentery and
of which she died last night.

Geo. Webster, M.D.

TAKEN and Sworn before me the

day of

at

12th }
August A.D. 1856, }
Melbourne

Wm. Wilkes Coroner.

PROCEEDINGS BEFORE CORONERS.

INQUISITION.

Victoria }
TO WIT. }

AN Inquisition for our Sovereign Lady Queen Victoria, taken at
Melbourne in
the *Colony* of *Victoria* aforesaid,
the *12th* day of *August* A.D. 185*6*, in
the *twentieth* year of the Reign of our said Lady the Queen
before me *W B Whitmore*,

* City, Town, County, or District,
as the case may be.

Gentleman, a Coroner of our Lady the Queen for the* *City* of
Melbourne aforesaid, upon the
view of the body of *Mary Clark alias Catherine O'Neil* then

† Jurors' Christian and Surnames
in full.

and there lying dead, upon the oaths of †

Francis Augustus Cox
C. J. Sammartino Hallenstein
John Strigley
S. R. Ludlow
G. Elliot
Andrew Murray
Peter Lamb
John Duffill
Thomas Howard
Michael Lyons
Alexander M. Dougall
Daniel M. Phelan

good and lawful men of *Melbourne* in the
said *Colony* who being duly sworn and charged to
enquire, upon the part of our Lady the Queen, when, where, how, and by what means the
said *Mary Clark alias Catherine O'Neil* came
by † her death, do say upon their oath that § *she has died*

‡ His or her.
§ Here state cause of death, if
known; if unknown, doubtful,
or no evidence, state the fact
accordingly, using the words of
the Verdict of the Jury.
It is desirable that the Jury should
find expressly whether there are
or are not marks of external
violence on the body of deceased.

from dysentery, supervening on a
weak and emaciated condition

In witness whereof as well the aforesaid Coroner as the Jurors aforesaid, have to this Inquisition put their hands and seals, on the day and year, and at the place above mentioned.

W B Wilmoth



Coroner.

* Here let each Juror sign his own name, or make his own mark, and affix or acknowledge his seal.

Francis Augustus Cox



C. T. Salmon



John Thigley



W. B. Low



G. Elliot

(L.S.)

Andrew Murray

(L.S.)

Peter Lamb



John Duffell



Thos. Howard



Michael Lyons



Wm. M. Duggan



(Daniel M. P. Hall)

