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November 15th 1878

PROCEEDINGS of INQUEST
held upon the body of

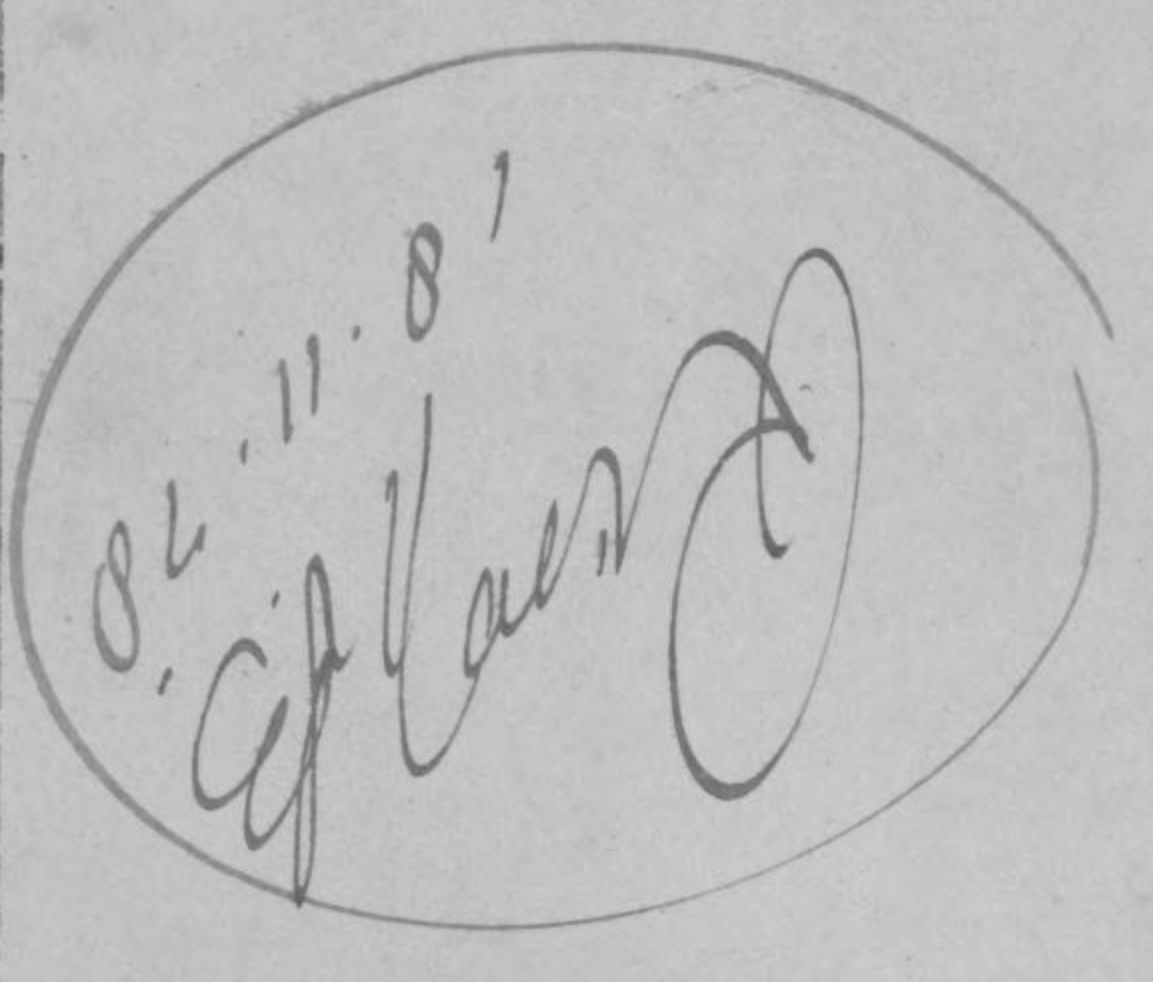
Thomas Leunt

at

St Albans

Received at the Crown Law Offices,
November 18th 1878

W. J. W.



W. J. W.

Coroner.

PROCEEDINGS BEFORE CORONERS.

INQUISITION.

Colony of Victoria, }
to wit. }

AN Inquisition for our Sovereign Lady Queen Victoria, taken at
Melbourne in
the Colony of Victoria aforesaid, the *fifteenth* day
of *November* A.D. 187*8* in the *thirty* *first* year of
the Reign of our said Lady the Queen, before me *Samuel*
Curtis Causton Gentleman, a* Coroner
of our Lady the Queen for the said Colony, upon the view of the body of
Thomas Ewart then

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

† Jurors' Christian and Surnames
in full.

and there lying dead, upon the oaths of †
George Haines
John Patterson
William Holst
William Elms
James Cooper
Henry Gurnall
Thomas W. Swallow
Thomas Abbott
John Harston
William Francis Macdonald
William Dooley
William Dean

good and lawful men of *Melbourne* in the
said Colony, who being duly sworn and charged to inquire, upon the part of our Lady the
Queen, when, where, how, and by what means the said *Thomas*
Ewart came by † his death, do say upon their oath

† 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.

that§ *on the 14th of November 1878 at the*
Melbourne Hospital, Melbourne, he died
from the results of wounds inflicted on
himself whilst of unsound mind.

PROCEEDINGS BEFORE CORONERS

INQUISITION

Colon of Florida

1871

Inquisition for the purpose of ascertaining the cause of death of

the body of

at the place above mentioned

on the day and year

and at the place above mentioned

the body of

the cause of death of

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.

C. Canby

(I.S.)

Coroner.

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

George Howre

(I.S.)

John Patterson

(I.S.)

William Holst

(L.S.)

William Adams

(L.S.)

James Cooper

(L.S.)

Henry Guzmalt

(L.S.)

J. W. Swallon

(L.S.)

J. C. Abbott

(L.S.)

John H. Smith

(L.S.)

William Francis Gault

(L.S.)

William Dooly

(L.S.)

William Dean

(L.S.)

Melbourne Police District.

Russell Street Station.

14th November 1878.

REPORT of Constable Hoey

relative to the death of a man

I have to report that
a man named Thomas Stewart
aged 53 years. a musician,
was brought to the Hospital
from the Mit or Miss Hotel
Clarendon Street, in Melbourne
about 11 am this morning
with a severe wound in
his throat. Said to have
been suff. inflicted with
a Knife, and dead about
9 pm.

Thos Hoey
Const 529

The
Officer in Charge
No 1 Division

Forwarded for the information of
the Coroner.

Blundell.
Inquest
for the 4th 11. 78.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

COLONY OF VICTORIA,)

TO WIT.

*Christian and
Surname in
full.

This Deponent*

on his oath saith, I am a

residing at

Thomas Higginson

Mariner

Emerald Hill

*I did not know the
deceased Thomas Evans. I was at the Kit or Kips
Hotel yesterday morning and heard somebody fall
down stairs. I went out and found deceased lying
at the foot of the stairs with blood about him. I
picked him up. Dr. Kelly was sent for.*

P. H. Johnson

Taken and Sworn before me, the

15th

day

of

November, 18*77*, at

Melbourne

C. Cantley

Coroner.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

[No. 60.
Stereo.]

COLONY OF VICTORIA,)

TO WIT.

*Christian and
Surname in
full.

This Deponent*

on his

oath saith, I am a

residing at

Charles Ferguson

publican, at Springs,

Emerald Hill

I knew the deceased Thomas Swath. He was a musician, over 50 years of age and lived at the Hill or Alps Hotel. Yesterday morning I was going down when I was told the deceased had cut his throat. I ran down and saw deceased with his throat cut. He admitted that he had cut his own throat. In his bedroom I found the razor produced lying on a chair. I had seen the deceased in bed that morning. He was recovering from drink apparently. He was not raving or violent but quiet. There was nothing about him to indicate that he would be likely to take his own life.

Charles Ferguson

Taken and Sworn before me, the *15th* day
of *November*, 18*78*, at *Melbourne*
C. Cantley
Coroner.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

[No. 60.
Stereo.

COLONY OF VICTORIA,)

This Deponent*

TO WIT.

on h^{is} oath saith, I am a

residing at

John Bailey

Sergeant of Police

stationed at Emerald Hill

*Christian and
Surname in
full.

I knew the deceased

James Swann. About 10 o'clock yesterday morning
I went to the Kit or Ruff Hotel, Emerald Hill
and saw the deceased lying in the passage on the
U.C. floor. Dr. ^{Molloy} was in attendance on him. Deceased
had several wounds across his throat and one on
the front of the right arm. Dr. Molloy attended to
deceased and he was sent to the Hospital. The
major medical was handed to me by the witness
Dryden. I examined deceased's bed-room
there was a large quantity of blood in the bed-room
and on the floor. There were no signs of any
struggle. In the opinion the deceased inflicted
the wounds on himself. Deceased was a man
of intemperate habits. I consider he was not
exactly of sound mind even when sober.

John Bailey

Taken and Sworn before me, the

15th

day

of

November, 1878, at Melbourne

C. Caunter

Coroner.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

COLONY OF VICTORIA, }

This Deponent*

Alexander Murray

TO WIT.

on his oath saith, I am a

Resident Surgeon

*Christian and Surname in full.

residing at

Melbourne Hospital. Ewart (C.C.)

The deceased Thomas Hewitt was admitted into this Institution on the morning (C.C.) of the 14th inst. in a very weak condition consequent on loss of blood from a transverse wound on his Right arm of about 3 inches in length and extending to the muscles, and also from a incised wound on the front of the neck, ~~the~~ laying bare the wind pipe. The deceased continued in this state when he suddenly became much worse and died the same afternoon about 3 hours after admission.

I have made a Post-mortem examination of body. The Brain was congested & contained much fluid blood. The Left Lung was very emphysematous (puffy). The Right was softened & easily broken down. The Liver was fatty. The Kidneys were softened & easily broken down. They were also congested, as was also the Spleen - The heart was normal & empty. The Stomach & Intestines were congested ~~empty~~ & contained mucous substances the remnant of digestion.

The cause of death was the condition of the lungs induced by the wound of the throat. Deceased had lost a large amount of blood. He was quite sensible when admitted

Taken and Sworn before me, the _____ day
of _____, 18 _____, at _____
Coroner.

and told me he had inflicted the wounds
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CORONER'S INQUEST.

COLONY OF VICTORIA,)

This Deponent*

Alexander Murray

TO WIT.

on h oath saith, I am a

*Christian and
Surname in
full.

residing at

*a himself. He appeared to be under the
influence of the effects of drink - but to this
extent of, but saying a, delivered himself.*

Alexander Murray.

Taken and Sworn before me, the

15th

day

of

November, 1898,

at

Melbourne

C. Cauley

Coroner.