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PROCEEDINGS of INQUEST
held upon the body of

Robert Burns

at

James Bunch Junks Organ

Received at the Crown Law Offices,

16. 9. 1895

PRV.

McMurry

Coroner.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

VICTORIA, TO WIT.

This Deponent *

Clarence George Sheppard Godfrey

on his oath saith, I am a

Medical Officer

residing at

Yarra Bend Lunatic Asylum

* Christian and
Surname in
full.

I find on examining the records that the deceased Robert Ennis was admitted as a patient on the 11th of December last, on the warrant now produced.

He was then aged 49 years & suffered from Epileptic Dementia.

He came under my care on admission & was then in fair bodily health and quiet & well-behaved, and continued so until February last when he had a severe attack of Epilepsy. From this time onwards he ~~was~~ suffered from frequent similar attacks and was very weak for some time after. In June last, he developed a bed sore over the Sacrum & was sent, on the 25th of the same month, to the Hospital ward. The bed sore gradually healed under treatment. In July last, he had a severe attack of Shingles, and during last month he was kept almost continuously in bed. The fits became very severe latterly and he gradually became exhausted and sank & died on the 12th inst at 3.30 p.m. as reported to me.

While under my care he was regularly attended by me & received medicine & extra diet.

C. Godfrey

Taken and Sworn before me the 14th day
of September 1895 at Yarra Bend
C. Cantley
Coroner.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

VICTORIA, TO WIT.

This Deponent *

James Edward Nield M.D.
 on his oath saith, I am a *Surgeon, registered in Victoria*
 residing at *21 Spring Street, Melbourne*

* Christian and
Surname in
full.

*I have made a post mortem
 examination of the body of Robert Ennis.
 Externally*

*It was sparsely nourished.
 There was a slight bed sore over the sacrum.
 There were no marks of violence.*

Internally:

*The brain was softened throughout,
 and the membranes were congested.
 The organs of the chest and abdomen were
 healthy.*

*There were food, chyle and stools, respectively
 in the stomach and intestines.*

*The cause of death was softening of
 the brain.*

James Edward Nield

Taken and Sworn before me the *14th* day
 of *September* 189*5* at *Parra Benda*
C. Canby
 Coroner.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

VICTORIA, TO WIT.

This Deponent *

on his

oath saith, I am a

residing at

* Christian and
Surname in
full.

James Bowles
Nurse in the
Yarra Bend Asylum

The deceased Robert Surris
 was under my charge when he died upon the
 20th of June last. He was weak & epileptic. He
 had a headache which he had. He was able to
 up after that until the 3rd of August when he
 became bedridden & sank and died on the
 12th instant. He had frequent epileptic fits.
 Dr. Forster saw him regularly & the
 Official Visitors saw him. No friends came.

J. Bowles

Taken and Sworn before me the 14th day
 of September 1895 at Yarra Bend
C. Cantley
 Coroner.

Yarra Bend
Lunatic Asylum,
12th Sept 1895.

MEMORANDUM.

The patient named in the margin having

died at 3.30 Pm

on 12th September 1895

I have to request that you will inform the

Coroner for the District of Bourke.

Smith
Clerk of Asylum.

Robert F. Connors

INQUISITION.

VICTORIA, }
TO WIT. }

AN Inquisition for our Sovereign Lady Queen Victoria, taken at
The Yarm Bend Asylum in
Victoria, the *fourteenth* day of *September*
A.D. 189*5* in the *fifty ninth* year of the Reign
of our said Lady the Queen, before me *Samuel*
Coates Cantley Gentleman, a Coroner of our Lady the Queen
for Victoria, upon the view of the body of *Robert Ennis*
then and there lying dead, upon the oaths of¹

(1) Jurors' Christian
and surnames in full.

Edward Drew
George Page
John Mathewson
William Dyson
Frederick Crowl
Richard Evans
James Lawrence

good and lawful men of *Yarm Bend* in Victoria,
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

(2) His or her.

Robert Ennis came by *his* death, do say upon their
oath that³ *on the 12th of September 1895, in the*
Yarm Bend Asylum, where he was in legal
custody, he died from disease of the brain

(3) Here state cause
of death if known;
if unknown, doubt-
ful, or no evidence,
state the fact accord-
ingly, using the
words of the verdict
of the Jury

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. Canty

(L.S.)

Coroner.

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

E. J. Dwyer

(L.S.)

James J. Dwyer

(L.S.)

W. J. Mathewson

(L.S.)

William Dyson

(L.S.)

Fred. Couell

(L.S.)

Richard Tysens

(L.S.)

Francis Lawrence

(L.S.)

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