

19th March 1867

PROCEEDINGS of INQUEST
held upon the body of

Mary Anne

at

Booths Park

Received at the Crown Law Offices,
22nd March 1867

29912



H. Feary

Coroner.

PROCEEDINGS BEFORE CORONERS.

No. 64.
[Stereo.]

INQUISITION.

Vignette
Victoria
TO WIT.

AN Inquisition for our Sovereign Lady Queen Victoria, taken at *Boggy*
Creek near Vignette in
the *Colony* of *Victoria* aforesaid,
the *Nineteenth* day of *March* A.D. 1867, in
the *Thirtieth* year of the Reign of our said Lady the Queen,
before me *Henry Geary*
Gentleman, a Coroner of our Lady the Queen for the * *District* of
Vignette aforesaid, upon the
view of the body of *Mary Olive* then
and there lying dead, upon the oaths of †

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

Jurors' Christian and Surname
in full.

Evan Phillips Lavender
Henry Dickson
William Hall
George Hossack
James Birnie Haig
John Lahey
John Rogers
William Jomyn Thickett
Michael Butler
William Roberts
Richard Russell
George Hill

good and lawful men of *Vignette* 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 *Mary Olive* came
by † her death, do say upon their oath that § *she died at*

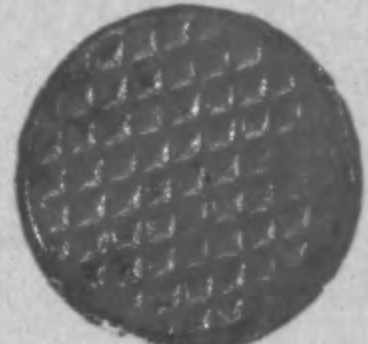
† His or her.
§ Here state cause of death, if
known; if unknown, doubtful,
or no evidence, state the fact
accordingly, using the words of
the Verdict of the Jury.
It is desirable that the Jury should
find expressly, whether there are
or are not marks of external
violence on the body of deceased.

Boggy Creek near Vignette on
the Eighteenth day of March 1867
from

from exhaustion dependent
upon ~~upon~~ a long continued
disease of the glands of the
bowels and which arose
from natural causes.

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.

Henry Geary



Coroner.

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

* Evan Kallpohlander, German
Henry Dickson
William Hall
George Westcott
James Burns Haig
John ^{1st} Lahey
John Rogers
William Jermyn Thier Rette
Michael ^{1st} Butler
William Roberts
Richard ^{1st} Russell
Ney. ~~Gibson~~ George ^{1st} Hill
Mant.



CORONER'S INQUEST.

[No. 66.]

DEPOSITION OF WITNESS.

Tigneton
Victoria
To Wit.

THE Examination of* Thomas Law McMillan
and May Olive

*All names of Witnesses.

of Tigneton taken on oath this nineteenth
day of March A.D. 1867, at Boggy Creek

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

before the undersigned, a Coroner in the said †

This Deponent Thomas Law McMillan

on his oath saith as follows:

I am a legally qualified
Medical Practitioner and reside
at Tigneton. I have examined the
body of deceased and found no
marks of violence, it was much
emaciated as if it had been suffering
from disease. I have made a
post mortem examination. On
opening the chest I found the
left lung bore extensive traces of
recent inflammation and in both
there extensive tubercular deposits.
The lower two thirds of the small
intestines had evidently been in
a state of chronic inflammation

and of

And very much contracted
the mesenteric glands were
very much enlarged and ^{also} full of
tubercular deposit, the other
abdominal organs were all
healthy, the stomach contained
about 2 teaspoonfuls of food
like Sago, there was no appearance
of any malarial poison, the liver
was quite healthy. I attribute
death to exhaustion & debility
dependent upon the tuberculous
state of the bowels which consti-
tuted the disease known as
Tuberc Mesenterica. I think
that life might have been
perhaps prolonged but that
a cure could not have
been effected by medical
treatment

testament. I think the comatose
state of the deceased might
be accounted for by the extreme
debility. I think the disease
must have existed for three
months at least.

Thos. L. Ar. Millard

Taken & sworn before me the
19th of March 1867 at
Baggy Creek near Tipton }

Henry Geary
Clerk

May Olive being sworn I am the
wife of Daniel Olive and reside
at Boggy Creek. Deceased was my
child her name was Mary Olive
she was 9 months old. A fortnight
since she had measles from which
she apparently recovered and was
in her usual state of health till
yesterday morning. She slept well
on Sunday night & took the breast
2 or 3 times, she slept till eleven
o'clock yesterday morning & then
thinking she had slept a long time
I took her up while asleep I then
saw there was a black circle covering
the eyes & mouth but after a time
that went off & she took the breast
she sucked pretty well but not so
strong as usual after sucking she
fell

fell asleep again till between 2 & 3
in the afternoon when I gave her
the bath again I had to awake
her again after sucking she went
to sleep again & remained so till
5 or 6 o'clock in the evening when
I thought it right to take her into
Tregleton to see a doctor I wrapped
her up warmly & started with her
in my arms when about half
way & seeing a light in a shop window
I thought I would look at her & I
then saw she was either dead or
just dying I went into the shop
& found she was dead I took
care that she got plenty of air while
I was carrying her. I have never
given her any medicine except
Castor oil. She was not attended
by any doctor during the measles.

May Anne

Taken & sworn before me
the 19th of March 1867 at
Boggy Creek near Tregleton

Henry Geary
Coroner