



CORONERS INQUESTS



Boreham

Male Child Of John Trollope

Death From Convulsions

Mr. F.T. Sylvester held an inquest on Monday afternoon at a cottage near Boreham Collegiate School, on the body of the male child of John Trollope, labourer, who died early on Sunday morning, without having been seen by a medical man. Mr. F. Brown was foreman of the jury. The evidence showed that the deceased was born on Thursday, the mother being attended by a midwife named Jane Haines. The child had several convulsions after birth, and on Friday and Saturday morning the grandmother and father of the child were advised by the midwife to send for a doctor. This, however, they neglected to do until after the death of the child. Mr. Flower, surgeon, of Warminster, saw the child several hours after its death, and by its appearance was of the opinion that it had died from convulsions caused by over feeding. He believed had he been sent for either on Friday or Saturday, the child's life might have been saved. The deceased was small but well nourished. The jury were of the opinion that the deceased's death was attributable to neglect on the part of the father and grandmother in not procuring medical attendance, and to their verdict of "Death from convulsions" they added a rider to that effect.

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