



CORONERS INQUESTS



Edward Whatley

20th February 1903

Coroner Mr. R A Wilson.

Mr. Hamilton Fulton said deceased was a groom he employed. The horse in the incident was a quiet one and had even been driven by Mrs. Fulford and his daughters in the past.

Thomas Trodd, a witness from Salisbury said on 2nd February at about 1.30 in the vicinity of Milford Hill there was a van with 4 horses attached which was unloading furniture.

The cart the deceased was driving came near the van. The horse shied because the tarpaulin on the ground from the van blew up. The horse then turned and bolted and appeared to be out of control.

Another witness Robert Bartlett, a gardener, was working in Mr. Gerrish's garden and heard a horse galloping down the hill. He went out on to the road and saw Edward Whatley lying down on the bank, but who then got up and went into the house.

Dr. L. D. Saunders attended to him the day after the accident. He dressed several wounds and the patient made excellent progress for 11 days. But then the symptoms of lockjaw appeared and he died 2 days later.

The verdict was death from lockjaw following accidental injuries.

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