Inquest over the body of Hall McShorter Col

Wm. F. Harris, sworn says when the boat came
out the River, the boat sunk from the current
striking said boat, 19 hundred brick was on
the boat not a full load

Julius Holden sworn says. When the boat came
out the river the back end dipped water and
sunk it most were on the boat.

Sandy Rice sworn says. When the Boat came
out of Sandy Creek into the River it dipped
water and sunk. they had nearly 2000 brick

We the Jury find that the said Hall McShorter
came to his death from accidental drowning.

G. R. Bailey Foreman.
A Coleman
J. B. Childers
W. M. Bennett
W. A. Landrum.
C. S. Williams
W. Long
T. L. Pitner
W. L. Williams.
H. B. Sayre
Wm. McGinnon
J. B. Landrum.

J. A. Pitner Coroner

July 1886

Inquest — over Sarah Jones Baby =

1st Sworn Durham Sworn says
Child died just about day. Just before day
heard it crying and awoke the Mother up
and told her to nurse it. & she said she
was nursing it then. When I came in the room
about 2 oclock. Nancy said for me to come
over help her as she believed her baby was
dead. It did not look like it had been
marked Child had not been well

Witness John Durham Sworn says did not know
anything about it. heard her call for
help and said she believed it was dead
went after her Brother & never got back
until after one oclock. Staid there all night
did not hear any fuss made by the Child
during the night I am not the Father
of the Child

3rd Witness Sarah Johnson Sworn says, last night I
tried to nurse the child & he seem stopped
crying & turned him on his stomache
& patted him to sleep & when I awoke
up I found the child laid under
my arm dead I cant say whether I
smothered it or not a little girl was
sleeping in bed with me

4th Witness Anna Lawson Sworn says
helped to shroud the Child did not know
the baby was sick Saw them nursing
it did not see a bruise could tell
whether it was smothered or not.

The body of the Child was examined [illegible]
by the Jury.

We the Jury find that the Child came
to its death by Smothering while its
Mother was asleep.

J. A. Hampton Foreman
W. B. Quick
H. Cruthis
W. M. Bennett
T. J. Carter
R. R. Bailey
C. C. Pitner
C. D. Vincent
M. L. Rivers
J. N. Bone.
W. H. Fuller
J. P. Brightwell

J. A. Pitner Coroner

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Inquest over Body of D. Kennebrew.

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Elmer Stevens

Mihy J R Tucker sworn says. Doc Kennebrew wants to
see me on the road. he told me he had come
down to have a settlement with me in regard
to some lumber. I told him my saw Mill Boom
was at home but I had memorandum book
with me. he remarked to me about fifteen feet
feet of Bridge Lumber, I thought he was
mistaken I thought it was 800 feet. I handed
him my book he says to me Sure you are
right the sum is only 825 feet. I told him I was
bring Saw Mill Boom this morning and any
day we would have a settlement he remarked
all right any time come up. he turned his buggy
around & stepped when I am standing, he
remarked he . . . Bud Tucker and
myself was as good time as he could get.
Doc Kennebrew & Bud Tucker had some hard
words. & then I observed D Kennebrew cut
them caught ahold of his coat sleeves &
said dont have any difficulty. there
was no licks passed Mr Tucker was pacific
all the time. the first thing they saw of him
wrong was throwing his head back. Mr
Tucker caught ahold of him but could not
keep him from falling. out of the buggy he
drew three long hard breaths. after being
laid out on the ground

2 Mihy W. C. Epps. being sworn says I was about
ten feet from buggy & saw him. Saw D K
falling. & J R Tucker caught ahold of
him by the shoulders & he both carried
him to the ground. no licks passed had
him on side of road & he breathed only
a few time. & said that he was dead

Mr Juan sworn his Lordship said he will come too in a few minutes

3d Witness R M Robinson Sworn Says I helped to Move him out of the Road & then from breath about Three or four times

4th Witness W J Tuer or Bud Tuer, Sworn Says I was Standing in My Store door about 20 Yards off at the time he fell out of Buggy. I saw My Son Tuer take hold of him in the act of falling & he eased him down on the ground.

5 Witness Dr N. O Carey. Sworn Says The deceased came to his death from heart disease

We the Jury find that Dr Henry Reuben came to his death from Heart-disease.

J. O Pitts Foreman.
J. V Murray.
Y. N. Rush.
Wm. P. Owen
W Cooper
C. B. Turner.

J. X Pitts Coroner

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Inquest — Wm. Body of Polly Church, Col'd

1st Witness Ann Smith sworn says. Polly Church slept in my room Sunday night & left the room about day & that she found her dead about 9 o'clock. She also says that Polly Church was apparently well on Sunday night & that she ate a hearty Supper. & that she did not eat any thing this morning. that she was well & cheerful this morning at the time she left the Room.

2d Witness Margaret Smith sworn says. Polly Church came to Wm Smith room well & hearty & that she eat a hearty Supper & that Polly went out the house soon (about day) without her shoes on or her bonnet. & that she was the first person who saw Polly sitting on the privy hole & that she came down & told her Sister Wm Smith that Polly was in privy & could not move.

3d Witness Lida. Foster sworn says that Polly Church ate Supper with her on Sunday night before the rain & that she left Low Foster house saying she was going to Wm Smith's room to get her to go to Church with her

4th Witness Helen Walker sworn says. Polly Church was subject to fainting Spells & that they generally lasted about 1/2 hour & sworn & that when she saw Polly Church this morning in the privy that Polly mouth was open & her tongue was hanging out & that she was dead.

(over)

We the Jury find in the Case of Riley
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upon examination that she came to
her death from providential Causes.

C. D. Vincent Foreman.
Jas. M. Rush
M. H. Burns
C. C. Arnold
E. P. Oliver
John B. Pattman
C. R. Collins
Jas. P. Brightwell
Jas. H. Wells
Jos. H. Fisher
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Inquest over the Body of Children of Penny Hall.

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1st Witness Penny Hall Sworn Says. I have got a brother in Law at S Nicholsons. I went there to get Something to eat Some Provisions He my Bro in Law put me off. I left my Children in the care of Dorcas Staple at Home. I left Thursday Evening I went to Come back Friday morning but my Bro in Law Detained Said for me to Stay over until next day Friday. The names of the Children burned by me Martha. Sam. Kate My Children.

2nd Witness Wm Bell Sworn Says. I saw the remains of the Children taken from the House, when I got there the top of the House had fallen in then were the Children did not know what part of the House caught first. I saw the Children after the House had come down they were burned into a crisp.

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3rd Witness Dorcas Staple Sworn Says. When Penny left home Wednesday Evening She asked me to take Care of her Children this Evening I went up there at Sundown & they had about a shovel full of Fire in the fireplace I went up there about 8 O'clock I saw no fire. I think the fire was caused by Carelessness on the part of the Children, I know that his woman (Hall) has gone from Home Several nights & left the Children by themselves.

4th Witness Jim Henderson Col Sworn Says. I came up when the House was burning & helped until they got the Children out of the House & when I found Them left to go after my Mother

1st Witness Stephen Adams Comm Says I was the first one there, When I got there I Heard a Child screaming, I went to the door to Save the Children but the fire was so hot that I Couldn't get to the door. there was but one doore & no window to the House. I thought that the Childrens Mother was there When I got there but I found that she was not

2nd Witness Lucy Robinson Comm Says, I was the first one that saw the fire when I got to the house I heard the Children at the doore crying to get out. & heard the other two crying in the inside

3rd Witness John. A Mathews Comm Says. I got there about 8 1/2 Oclock. & the Roof was about half burned down. they had got one of the Children out. & I could see another in the fire. I stayed there until all three of the Children were taken from the fire.

4th Witness Lewis Harris Col. Comm Says, the house was on fire when I got there. I got the Children out of the fire myself. I think the fire was Caused from the Carelessness of the Children.

5th Witness Thomas C. Anthony Comm I Says The whole roof had fallen in except one rafter when I got there I saw the remains of all the Children taken from the fire

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This was all the testimony that was submitted. The finding of the Jury was.

We the Jury find that the deceased Mertie Sam. Yeates met came to his death by accidental Fire burning

Thos. R. Bailey Foreman
E. P. Mitchell.
E. B. Mcchesney
R. E. Wood.
H. J. Swee.
J. B. Henderson.

J. A. Piner, Coroner

Oct 16th 1887

Inquest Over Body of Richard Jackson Col'd

1st Witness Bettie Matthews Sworn Says, found Dan'l Richard Jackson Monday morning about 8 Sam Beck, and found him dead, knew him to Raw Fits, he was in good health, there was no appearance of Vomiting dont think he was poisoned

2nd Witness, Margaret Matthews, Sworn Says was dead when I seen him, died day before, he had been Vomiting a Yellow looking watty had not been Complaining before, that I know of never Saw him drunk in my life, never knew him to Raw Fits

3rd Witness Jerry Moore sworn says, he worked with me all the week on Wednesday he come up to Bowles's with Harry Mathews, and gave Richard Jackson a drink, and then to my house and loaded a wagon with Cotton after Jemming come by Bowles's, then Mr Willoughby then said to Richard Jackson God-damn it Stop, then we Stopped Willoughby said I have drank enough to poison all over this School dont You all want Something to drink, I said Yes, well come on and get it. Dont to get it, no I dont want to treat You to day, I insisted, no I'll give You a Keg Cotton sooner than I will give you a drink of his booze, I then tried to get a drink anyway but he said he wouldn't be damned if I could have a drink out of that bottle, I then stood back and Richard Jackson said Im not afraid of any Nigger in Clarke County, then was a fuss between Willoughby Jackson, Richard Jackson went to wagon of Willoughby and after talking a few moments Richard took a drink out of Willoughby's bottle

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afterwards leaving the wagon, then Willoughby danced and called me back to the wagon and told me he was going to quit yielding to these negroes that they have to yield to him, I then took a drink also both took, but a very little. I then left him & went to Phillips Gin, did not hear Richard Jackson complain of anything, when I saw him last he was. Thursday morning he was dead, myself and Willoughby are friends, never knew him to have fuss

4th Witness Cato Moore. Sworn says I know nothing about case. When I saw him he was dead.

5th Witness Harry Matthews, sworn says. I saw Richard Jackson in Jimmy Myers Cotton patch Thursday Evening, and after talking Richard asked me if I had anything to drink, we then went up to Tom's Store Richard Jackson took a drink been knowing Jackson for thirty or forty years never knew him to be drunk. When I last saw him next he was dead Thursday morning, never knew him to have fuss Willoughby & Jackson was at outs. I don't think that he had anything to mean for Willoughby to do

6th Witness, Tyler Matthews, sworn says. I am satisfied that Richd Jackson died Natural death. Saw him Wednesday Evening. don't believe Willoughby would poison anyone. Knew him to have fuss for thirty yrs

7th Witness Bailey Matthews sworn says. The whisky Willoughby bought belonged to me. I gave it to Willoughby to carry to my house. When I got home I found my whisky did not have any of it.

8th Witness Brown Barfield sworn says. I drank some whisky with Willoughby at Tom's he got out of a quart flask, did not see Richard Jackson

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Statement of Wilborn Willoughby. I stopped at Fowlers and Richard Jackson was on the wagon. he never left the wagon, he did not take no drink with me. he never came to my wagon at all.

We the Jury find that Richard Jackson came to his death by Epileptic fits

A. D. Loney Foreman.
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M. L. Vernee
J. M. Weatherly
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Inquest over Body of Charity Dunn.

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1st Witness John Stephens sworn says. Saw her this morning She was lying just like you see her. think she died a natural death, don't think she been sick. She is kind of foolish at times, don't think she killed herself.

2d Witness. J. C. Couch sworn says. Saw her this morning. She was dead when I saw her. think she died of old age. have known her for years. She has been foolish at times. looked for her to die at any time.

We the Jury find that Charity Dunn came to her death from natural causes

Geo. W. Couch. Foreman.
William Dunn
J. C. Couch
J. T. Couch
J. S. Darby
J. S. Stephens
J. H. Ritter, Coroner

9 June 4th 1885

Inquest over Body of Sylvester Coburn.

1st Witness R. E. Bradberry Sworn says. came from Anderson S.C. Came to my door and rang bell. I opened door. She asked if he could see my Sister Lizzy. I told him I would go and tell her and she said she wouldn't see him this Evening, he turned back & said he was very sorry, & then he place pistol to his breast & heard discharge saying B'y here goes, pistol discharged, didn't see him after he fired - don't know of his having been drinking to day, only my Sisters Husband & Grandmother in the house that I know of. Saw him since shortly after he came to Town. Was uncertain as to whether he would shoot me or himself when he drew his pistol. Have heard him say many times that he wished he was in h-l. said he had no pleasure in the life he was living & lead me to believe it was on account of his drinking habits.

2d Witness Ed Bass. Old Sworn says. (Mr. Coburn (the Corpse lying before me) came to me about 11 o'clock & asked if I wanted to go with him. I told him Yes Sir. he gave Order & note & told him to bring it to this house (residence of Corpse) we would be back by 3 o'clock. I got in the buggy & went to Brooklyn left there at 10 minutes to 3, on way to find house on left after crossing bridge (can't recall living there) he got out and took

J. H. Hull. Sec

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In accordance with above Evidence the Jury sworn, do hereby find that the deceased A. H. Colvin came to his death by a pistol shot-wound inflicted by his own hand.

C. Talmadge Foreman
W. M. Rush,
J. H. Cauthen,
J. C. McMahan,
W. H. Crawford,
A. H. Talmage,
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Mason C. Johnson,
J. A. Pitner
W. M. Reynolds,
O. D. Vincent,
A. A. Pitner.

J. H. Hull. Sec.

J. A. Pitner Coroner.

Inquest held Aug 8/88
Inquest over Body of Chas Wesley Barnard.

1st Witness Bass Watts Sworn Says. was coming from brickyard. was told boy was drowned. dived for him and brought him up by foot. saw no blood when I brought him up. was in water ab. Mc Leods Sand bank about middle of river, river at that point about 20 or 30 feet.

2d Witness, Bud Williams Sworn Says, saw him when he was drowning, he didn't holler. boy Chas Foster told begged him to go in & then left him in, drowned Couldn't swim, Chas Foster caught his hand and led him in, there was no fighting, I am 9 years old.

3rd Witness Chas Foster Sworn Says. was with him when he was drowned. I went in first & saw him sinking went back after him, I can swim a little, we were in bathing, never was in river with him before, he couldn't swim enough to go out as far as he did, tried to reach him but couldn't. there was nothing to save him with, Bob Johnston, Bud, me & him were told at the time, Bob was not in washing, was on bank. Bud was on bank when he drowned.

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4th Witness, Jas. Barnard sworn says, I was at river when Jesse Green came up and brought him home. Saw no marks of violence on him, saw his brother,

We the Jury in the case of Chas. H. Barnard, now lying before us, do find that deceased came to his death by accidental drowning.

O. A. Vincent, Foreman.
J. A. Pitner.
J. E. Wells.
Jos. F. Crawford.
W. D. Perry.
W. M. Pittman.
J. K. Neel.
E. V. Rush.
R. W. Nickens.
C. V. Cooper.
E. Bell.
Geo. B. Brightwell.

J. A. Pitner, Coroner.

1900 Inquest over body of Steve Jackson colr
Oct 7th

1st Witness My name is Floyd Carson I live about
50 or 60 yds from Steve Jackson's. This
morning about 1 Oclock my Wife woke
me up, and told me that there was
Something the matter over at Steves, I
saw over there and Steves Wife told
me that (her Steve) was dying, I saw
him at Noon got a lamp & went in
the room where Steve was, and
raised his head and he drew one
breath and was dead. No one was in
the room when I went in except Steves
Wife, do not know whether they lived pleasantly
or not.

2nd Witness My name is Nancy Carson I live next door
I was awake about 1 Oclock this morning
and heard Alice Jackson (Steves Wife) scream
I woke my husband Floyd Carson & told
him to run over to Steves and see what
was the matter. he ran over there and I
followed him, We Floyd was rubbing
Steve with Camphor. When I got there,
I saw deceased draw one breath as Floyd
raised him up. I saw deceased last night
& Yesterday. He seemed to be as usual
Never knew him or Alice to quarrel,

3rd Witness My name is Jacob Slick I live near
Slide Jackson about 1 Oclock this
morning my Mother in Law came to my
house woke me up and told me
that Steve Jackson was dying I went
over there immediately and found him
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4th Witness) My name is Emma Green D lives to deceased house about 1 Oclock this morning found him dead, Do not know of his having had a difficulty with any one Yesterday or last night,

5th Witness My name is Alice Dawson. I am Steves Wife about 8 Oclock last night I went to bed did not know what time Steve came to bed I woke about 1 Oclock this morning Do not know what woke me, I heard Steve gasping & got up. Steve drank some whiskey yesterday Do not know how much he was not drunk, Do not know of his having a difficulty with any one, He went to work yesterday with Henry Dennis & Our relationship was pleasant, He had been treated for heart disease

We the Jury sworn to investigate the death of Steve Jackson Col'd now lying dead before us do find that Deceased came to his death from heart disease

J. C. Fitzer Foreman
J. D. Neel
Geo W Rush
E M Parr
J. D. Hazelwood
F. L. Felts

N. H. Talmage
H. C. Adkins
W. R. Vernon
R. R. Hughes
W. M. Pittman
W. J. Terry M.D.

D. M. Fitzer Coroner

Steve Jackson Col'd

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State vs. Body of Lloyd Carson Adm

1st Witness Wm Banner Sworn Says. that he saw the deceased when he fell that he fell forward & that he only living about ten minutes had a chew of Tobacco in his mouth which he took out

2nd Witness Jacob Dorsey Sworn Says. he heard the fall & he fell on his face & the boy who was with him says that he had fainted & had some one say that he had been drinking & a Colored man say the Damn thing & Lyndon came & jumped the Patient lungs & he was on them but he never spoke after he fell.

3rd Witness Nash Deakins Sworn Says that his testimony was the same as given by Mr Jacob Dorsey he further States if he has been drinking that he did not know it.

4th Witness D. W Pomm Sworn Says that he heard that he had been drinking and that his death was caused from Apoplexy.

5th Witness Ira Bond Sworn Says that Mitch Williams says that he had been with him all day and that he had been drinking with him.

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J. N. Bush, Foreman,
G. Wells.
J. M. Watson.
Albert L. Sears
N. N. Jones Jr.
J. B. Crawford.
D. G. Burns
Geo. G. Bone.
G. L. Sears
G. E. Mead.
W. H. Simon
W. R. Bailey.
J. A. Pitner Coroner

1889 Inquest over Body of Dave Murray Col:

Feby 18. 1st Witness, Sue Faulkner being duly sworn says, She was sitting by fire was sitting in Corner left of fire Place and Knox was standing in front of Cupboard picked up and was looking at pistol it fired what how nothing of natuse of Quarrel took Place the pistol was broken what used for sometime Jim Murray had been there about One Hour and was laughing talking, dont know the natuse of Conversation, didnt see Knox when the pistol fired, Murray came with Adams, knew them ever since they were boys, were laughing talking to Amanda Williamson at time of Shooting by marriage connected, lived about two Hours & were Sparking, Knox picked up the body & began to Kallon

2nd Witness, Maggie Faulkner Sworn Says, I was getting dinner, they were laughing and talking, had not been quarreling never Saw pistol until it fired, dont know whose pistol it was, Dam Knox Sister, dont know who Murray come to see both particular friends of Amanda Williams, didnt leave until after firing, heard nothing about the pistol until it fired, Murray were Sparking.

3rd Witness. Jas Faulkner Sworn Says. I was not present when arrived until Murray was dead, I know of no Quarrel, My pistol had been used, but was out of fix, Snapped two or three Cartridge, which did not fire, had not used pistol for a month,

4th Witness Knox Faulkner Sworn Says, I was sitting by fire with Co picked up pistol Saw that it was on Hammer when pistol before fired pistol Hammer about two Amanda Williamson me all day with him Room did not before

5th Witness A. C. B. Juin Ma two, no Quarrel it was Since he and Latter Record of Inq the Jury We the Jur Came to his from a pistol

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5th Witness

N. C. Blair Sworn Says, I saw both men
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since he went to Athens both laughing
and talking at time of accident never
heard of any hard feelings for some minutes from
time they Ceased to run to time of shooting,
We the Jury find the deceased Jim Murray
Came to his death by an accidental pistol Shot
from a pistol in the hands of Knox Saulsbury,

M. D. Pabe . Herman . F. B. Johnson
J. S. Houston . W. B. Burge
W. H. Loyd . H. L. Cook,
J. F. Wier . W. A. Bonner
Jas. F. Tilman Coroner,

1899 Inquest held on Body of Wm Daniel Col

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1st Witness E. P. Garrison Sworn says, I am Conductor in the Yard here, W Wise making up a train Bill Daniel train hand, was assisting in Coupling cars. He had four cars to the Engine & pulled out of the side track on the main line While standing I told him to cut loose one Car & he did so. He pulled the wrong pin & Stepped out. After he Stepped out from between the Cars I signed the Engineer back, He discovered he had pulled the wrong pin & I supposed Stepped in between the Cars to change it. I was on top of the train, It ran over him, I did not know he was in between the Cars until the Car I was on ran over him, I felt the bump. I did not know he went back the second time, I did not see the accident myself

Q. Was the train coming back with any undue Briskness when it struck him?

A. No Sir! it was moving very slow

Q. Was this man in the habit of drinking?

A. He drank some. Sometimes?

Q. How far did the Cars move back,

A. About half a Car length.

Q. If I understood You correctly he went in when the Car was standing Still, to make the uncoupling then You say he Stepped out

A. You motioned the train back

Yes, he made the uncoupling while the train was standing & the Cars out motioned the train back, I saw he pulled the wrong pin

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No body told him to go back. I was in charge of the train, He went back himself No body told him. It was not his duty to go back I said nothing to him, I do not he made the mistake, I was looking down when he uncoupled it but I said nothing at all, he had no right to go in there While the train was in motion, The train was standing Still when he made the uncoupling, I motioned the train back after he stepped out x We always leave the limit to the car next the Engine It did not amount to much only a minute time to get another limit, when I went to couple up, when the limit is left to the Car attached to the Engine it is there when we go to couple up again, It did not amount to much to uncouple it wrong Just a matter of a little time by going to get a hose in coupling up. In my Opinion the Railroad was not to blame in any way, It was against the rules to go between the Cars I understood it was against the rules of the Road to go between the Cars when in motion but paid no cash, signed an agreement to that Effect.

2d Witness, B. M. Hardin Agt Simon Sayer, I was standing in the Yard about 30 feet from where the Car ran over the Negro, at the time of the accident, I saw the Negro Dill Chamberlain, I saw him go between the Cars, I suppose to uncouple. He came out and I saw Mr Harrison, sign the Engineer back. After the train began moving

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backwards. I saw the negro go between the
Cars the second time. He stumbled and fell.
As soon as he fell I signed the Engineer
down with my hat. he fell as well as I
could tell on his face. I think the wheel
struck him on the side of the head and
body. after the train stopped Mr Garrison
had the train slack off of the body. He
was laid on the side of the track and
died in about 20 minutes, I think he
was dead when we first got to him but
he breathed for about 20 minutes, we
had the body taken care of here.
Nobody ordered him back in the second
time they were standing when he went in
the first time and he came out before
the train was motioned back. I saw
him go in the second time stumble and
fall. The train was in motion when he
went in the second time. There was no
fault of Mr Garrisons at all. I do
not think the road was in any way to blame
at all. I do not know whether he was
drinking or not. I only spoke to him
once I believe during the day. The
negro spoke or hollowed after the train
started. The train was not motioned back
for the purpose of changing the coupeling
they were making up the train, simply
putting the Car out, I did not say
anything to him. I did not tell him to go
to bed, I am Agent but had nothing to do
with the work in the Yard, I was just
a spectator. I was standing looking at
them making up the train.

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The accident was about 100 yards from here
just this side the train, He went to remedy
the mistake he made in the first Coupling
He took out the wrong pin. He understood
it was Contrary to the rules to go between the Cars
& know that for whom he was employed
Sometime ago he read and signed an
agreement to that effect, He read it
himself and wrote with his own hand
He could read and write, He said he
read it all and understood the agreement
perfectly, It is an agreement to use a
stick in Coupling and uncoupling Cars
and not to go between Cars, He read
and signed one of those agreements
in my presence.

We the Jury find that Wm Daniel Came
to his death by being run over by a freight
Car on the K & D. R. R. and that said
accident occurred through his own
Carelessness & disobedience of the
prescribed rules of the Railroad Company.

Geo. D Brightwell Foreman.
E. L. Bedford.
J. D. Weir
J. L. McCarley
W. R. Burnsby
Joseph Morris.
Geo. W. Rush.

Louis Myers
H. G. Long
O. Gotthelf
P. Shellington
A. O. Lyndon

James M. Elkins

Coroner

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Sept 24th 1859

Inquest on Body of Wm A Stanley

1st Witness. J. C. H. Nelson. Sworn. Says. I sent for me to go for the Dr. when I came up I found him dead. had been Complaining for some time from dizziness in the head. One of the Boys said he Complained of dizziness this morning in the Office. So much so that he could hardly see.

2nd Witness, Lew Stanley Sworn. Says, I saw him Staggering this morning against the Step. he then Came on up Stairs. he mostly fell and caught against the banister before he Came up Stairs, he died about 10 minute after this.

3rd Witness, Mr. Ward Sworn. Says - I passed along the hall Mrs. Stanley called me to Come to her room. I saw Mrs. Stanley Standing at the head of bed and calling for her husband. I told Mr Allen to send for a Physician. I said to Mr. Allen to go up Stairs. Dr Benefield came and I found him at Mr. Stanleys bed when I returned to the room.

4th Witness. Mr Martin. Sworn. Says I passed him in hall this morning he was groaning & groaning. I did not stop with him any more until I heard he was dead.

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[illegible]and I found him
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[illegible]Says I proceed him
[illegible] he has Groaning
[illegible]& Sp[illegible]bom all
[illegible]d he was dead.

6th Witness Sallie Peart. Sworn. Says, I saw
Mr Stanley this morning, he put his
hands in front of him & groaned and
fell on the Counter,

6th Witness, Mr Gann. Sworn Says. He said this
morning in Changing money that a
Gentleman was passing over from & he
could not See.

7th Witness, Dr Gerdine Sworn Says. he was dead
when I Came, Dr Penchat said he
had been dead 10 Minutes, My Opinion
is he died from Functional Heart disease,
he has been Suffering from Heart trouble
for Some time,

We the Jury find that the deceased E. N.
Stanley Came to his death from Functional
Heart disease.

J. J. Talmadge. Foreman.
H. C. Cagle.
H. C. Johnson
Geo. L. Brightwell
H. L. Morris
Thos. Caithew
Dr. Betts
Dr. R. Peachy
H. L. Bruning
E. W. Timms
Dr. J. Gaithen
Dr. A. M. Donell.

Sworn. [illegible]

Aug 10. 1859

Inquest on Body of Tom Harris

Aug 11

Witness Charley Harris Sworn Says, I and the Father of the Child, D was at home Dyring the afternoon, and Came home from Church found the Child, asked the girl about it she said she didn't know anything about it, Pratyer Boy in bed at his Sister this Morning he knew nothing about it. The Boy said the Child was sucked under the Grate Low Henderson X which Caused the would not, attend to it. Ok got up first the baby out of her bed and placed it behind him in his bed. This was the Boy's Story, Harris said he had left Lamp on Chest, and coming down Lighted it smelled Something burning, no Lamp burning When he Came home Lamp was on Chest found Baby on floor & my Wife turned to Low and asked her

Inquest Over the Body of Chas. Harris

1889
Aug 18.

1st Witness Bailey Harris Sworn Says. I am the Father of the Child, I was at work during afternoon, I came home from Church found the Child asked the Girl about it, She said she did not know anything about it. Walked boy in bed up. He told his Father he knew nothing about it. The boy said the Child was in bed with the Girl, Lou Henderson and while Crying she would not attend to it. No got up took the baby out of her Bed and placed it behind him in his bed. This was the Boys Story. Nora said he had left Lamp on shelf and taking it down lighted it smelled something burning, no Lamp burning when he came home. Lamp was on Chest. found Baby on Floor and my Wife turned to Lu x asked her how Come the Baby burned. Lou answered She did not know, who Come x got it out of bed. The boy told her she would not take Care of it x that he took it out. My Mother in Law told her to get out of bed. She did not. Then Dumfried. Lead Hunter Came up then, he heard my Wife making alarm, asked what was the matter told him then he went for Mother in Law. Girl left about 15 minutes after me Came, Wife did not abuse her. Said Nothing when she left She was as usual Playing here.

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Child was dead when I Came in, Boy
Said he did not know ix, Thought was on
the floor Father Still coming. Brothers Lew
picked ix up and laid ix on side of bed
Told Dead to go after Coroner. Wife was hard
to this Girl Ca. Low weighed about 100
or 110 pounds, was 17 or 18 Years old, about
Grown, about Saving here a month. She Came
of her own Accord. told her She Could Stay
Long until She got Some more. her name is
Lew. Vendrown.

Mrs. Nichols, Sworn Says. Saw Harris, Known Boy. She Mother
of Child Yesterday about dusk. I left her.
Child, told Girl to take Care of the baby,
She wanted to go to Church wanted to allow
my Daughter Stephens, I told her She
Could not make them & She got angry &
Said She would not go. I told She could
Stay at home. I left Glass Lamp on Shelf
burning, told her to let Lamp alone,
went to Church, Came back, Came in &
Said to Charley I Smell Something burning,
Charley Said it was a Lamp, I Shut
Door Quick, Lighted ix Walked Stairway
Light I Saw a Light by bed. Started
to bedside had put baby in bed before
leaving, found Baby on floor burned, asked
Lew why Baby was burned, She was in
other bed, She opened door for me Said
She did not know about ix I did not want
her to fool with Fire Lamp for fear of
fire, found Baby burned & The Lamp
on the Chest Not not Lower The Lamp on Chest

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My boy Said he put Ole in Tom Camps
to stay a Night & put me in mt Chest, & he
he Said Soon as baby was quiet & ornt
to Sleep She Said She Must go out of
my bed & that Tom Cam & got it
Afterwards, Keep my Ole Pen a Pan
borrowed Som Yesterday to a Bath
pound Som in Glass Stone, & Must throw
them Much as See the Beech did not
go to the Child, all Clothes burned off,
& no bed Clothing burned, Child had on
undershirt & top Dress. Brother Boss
took up the Child,

3 Witness, Read. Knows Som Say, She Ole
Henderson nearly to Mr Tamm, asked
her when She was going, Said She
was going up Road. asked her who
burned the Child, Said She Say
Tom get it out of bed & pour Kerosene
Ole on it, & set it on fire. She was
Coming back with Charley Mathis & Dan,
Willie Price, Lucy Williams & Marie
Williams was with me. & Heard
to be alarmed, She was Walking fast
bareheaded & barefooted. Dont know
where She was.

4 Witness, William Price, Simon Say. Came here
last night with a Negro woman Lou
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She talked like She was frightened, I asked
So, She was walking fast

5th Witness, Lucy Williams Sworn Says, Was coming along
Road & Charles called him Ike, about Child,
Said Gene found Kerosene Oil on the Child
& set it on fire & burned it up, that was
all She said, She front off in a hurry,
Don't know what Dead said to her they
had put Clothes on Child when I got
here. The bed was not burned. She did'nt
say the Quilt burned over on it, asked her
where She was going, Said She was going
up there & kept on. Don't know what She
is.

6th Witness, Rose Jones Sworn Says. Came to Rowe
to Stay all night, found Deceased with
off, what Clothing was kept on Child, it was
Still burning & had burned for Some time,
Kerosene was on the floors. Sheet was hang-
ing from bed, the Lamp was setting up
on Chest, Didn't look like Child had fallen
Boy was in bed asleep. Lou was Sitting
off. asked her what the matter. Said She
knew nothing about it, told her to get
out of bed. All was burned except what
fitted tight around body. Child was
lying against the Chest.

7th Witness Henry Harris Sworn Says When. Ike
left baby was in bed. Lou took Ike

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and put him in her bed. Baby was
crying when in Lou bed. a Stone
it out upstairs in bed and my Son
went to Sleep upstairs it crying, Thos
was about one hour after Ma left.
When Ma came back baby was burned
up Sidney had baby Cry. Sidney had
Lou get up and to look after. She got
up got the baby. Carrie no more until
Mr Sam Outlaw of this. Lou was in or Chex
No paper was around Chez. Lou
was Sell on Chex when Chid was burned.
Matches was on shelf, Boy was in Sam
Glad room taken out. She was asleep
When she took the baby up She Called
him & She didn't answer. Lou was
Setting up Straight when. Ma returned
am 11 years old, Certain that Lou got
the Child on back side & didn't Change.
it Child Couldn't Crawl, Lou was
Crying when I went to Sleep.
Coroner Jones has testified that the man
was down in Lou when he returned,

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Verdict.

We the Jury empanelled to investigate
into the Cause of the death of Jim
Harris, a Colored Child, lying dead
before us, after Hearing the Evidence, say
that in our opinion the Came to his
death from being burned, and recom-
mend that Coroner Henderson be notified
and the Case be further investigated,

K. O. Davis Foreman.
C. E. Edgs.
J. B. Cooper.
W. B. Smith.
J. H. Hull.
J. N. Smith.

J. C. Tilson, Coroner.

Inquest Held over Body of Jerry O'Bourke.

1st Witness; E. N. Dorsey Sworn Says, I was sitting in the front porch with deceased, until about 10-15 P.M. last night, at which time we retired to our respective rooms, Me afterwards Called up by deceased who seemed to be Suffering from a severe Stye of Colic, I administered a dose of Whiskey which gave him relief, and returned to my room Later in the night I was again aroused by deceased whose Suffering had returned I then awoke my two Sisters, and sent to Dr. Benedict who gave me Medicine to administer, which I did, and my Brother and myself remained with him until 4 Oclock in the morning, Witness was then asked by Mr Hodgson, what was the nature of the Medicine You gave to deceased? Answer Morphine Pellets, deceased arose early this morning Stating that he had Some Work that he was Compelled to do at the Express Office after Completing his work he returned to the House and went up to his room expressing a desire to get Some rest, at about 11 Oclock P.M. Dr. Benedict called by the deceased and upon going up to his room found him dead, The Medicine last given by deceased was that described by Dr. Benedict & Dr. Jno Crawford as a Drug gist, Dorsey Sworn.

Deceased had previously Complained of pain in the head & Chest with Vomiting, pain had been of Considerable duration

2nd Witness, Dr. B. O. Benedict being Sworn Testifies as follows

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I was called at about 12 Oclock at night by Mr. E. V. Long md. stated that Mr. Bowles was suffering from an attack of Colic, & requested Morphine in the Grain dose. Mr. Bowles called on me at 7 oclock this morning and became satisfied that he was not suffering from Colic, but from some other complaint. I approved him to Come out and told him to go back home, He stated that he would be compelled to go to his Office first, & gave him a prescription, which he had filled and after Completing his work at his Office he went to his Boarding house, at about 10 oclock I called to see him for the purpose of making a more thorough Examination, and upon Entering his room found him to be dead, In reply to Questions put to him by members of the Jury he testified that there was no Evidence of a Struggle on the part of deceased, that there was no Evidence of a mistake in the prescription, & the prescription, and that in his opinion there was no organic trouble, but rather a functional trouble. Witness was then called by Foreman. In case of death by poison would there not be some Evidence of a Struggle, Spasm &c. To the best of my knowledge. Yes"

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On View of the facts obtained by us
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us aforesaid.

J. H. Gibson. Foreman.
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J. E. Talmadge
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Jno. H. Gurrell
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J. A. Pitts
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H. C. Lane

P. K. Pitts. Coroner

1889 Inquest over Body of Wm McWhorter. Continued

Aug 30. 1st Witness Sworn McWhorter. Comm Sayo.
Com. Sworn &c- Chmt. by said Bill
McWhorter. Sat him at- Westville
overlook Henry and the Wagon.
Saw him as he was leaving the Church,
McWhorter Got- out- of the Buggy and
told Henry not to let that Lie on him
he then went to the Wagon about that
time McWhorter Saw at Henry, then
then Got- rocks, and McGabbed at
him. with his hands. in the wagon.
Charlie Foster at the time was standing
in the Wagon. and Jumped out
while McKad Henry, Charlie Struck
a rock and Struck Williams, then
Wm fell when he fell Henry Jumped
out of wagon. and hit him with
two Rocks. while he was lying there
Charlie Stabbed him three or four times
after Henry Got- back in the Wagon
But got in the Wagon and said, Got
damn You, now- Got Away Peter Wks
was in the Wagon Jumped out & said
Charlie I told you to Quit,
William was dead by the time they Le
Gone twenty Yards from him, & stopped
over Buggy & asked Henry what he
had said about McWhorter. Me then
left me in the Buggy went to the
Wagon. I did not expect a difficulty
Henry Named my Sister McWhorter
told My to Stay in the Buggy and Do
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Bob killed him. Didn't see a knife. William had no weapon in his hands. Charlie took knocked him down and he never got up afterwards that would have killed him.

2d Witness. Edick Moore Sworn Says. He started to go to McWhorter's Store and Henry Bussell was in & talking to him said Now you tell me what you told me at the Church. Henry said Yes. Bill hit him in Breast at Wentville McCarrard and Henry he then Jumped in wagon & then Henry was he had two knives in his hand. McWhorth knocked Robertson out of wagon then Robertson knocked Bill down.

3d Witness. Talbert Gabbs. Sworn Says. That Wagons was between me & them, saw us & got in sight of Bill & Henry fighting Bill tried to pull Henry out of Wagon. Then around the wagon and Commenced hitting Henry again. When he Jumped on Henry Charlie Bell got about. Before we got there Bill was dead, I do not know who done them. I do not know them.

4th Witness. J.B. Ruder Sworn Says. Saw Bill and Henry in a quarrel at Wentville Saturday Last. Cord Fighting them, then Bill left for Back & Henry Ill get you & Ill beat you, Henry pulled his finger out then said, You got between the two

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You Say that Bill had paid for a
ticket at Woodville for Henry Wife
to take her to Crawford Henry said
to his Wife don't tell on
me any more Bill paid Henry had
no money and as his Wife wanted
to get away he would buy for it.

5th Witness Nelson Calloway Sworn. Says. When I
got in Sight. saw Charlie Foster out
out of Wagon. He fell and saw J
Wellborn Sworn. he then hit him three
times. McWhorter went during a thing
they can't Rad McWhorter Sworn.
Bill Heard was dead Sworn. also Julia
Calloway Records Left & Court Adjourn

6th Witness Julia Calloway Sworn Say. saw Charley
Spank Bill Down. Charley Jumped out
of Wagon, & knocked Bill Down. he
then shot him three times, Bill was
Grabbing at Henry when Charlie
Knocked him Down.

7th Witness Robert Cason Sworn. Says. when I
got in sight- saw three Negroes Thought
they was playing. Bill Walked up
to the Wagon & the little Fellow
(Henry) kicked at him, Bill then
Grabbed at him, Then Charlie Jumped
out of Wagon and knocked Bill
down. then Both Henry & Charlie
Jumped on Bill, and they Both
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Henry & Charlie) and thought the two was
playing. The little Fellow (Henry) was
Pushing. The Woman was Laboring.
The big Man (Charlie) jumped out and
hit Bill with a rock. Bill was sitting
at Henry back his Foot when struck
down. My Buggy was next to their
wagon. Both jumped on Bill sliding
Get no one hit him after he fell.
I was badly scared but not much
9th Witness Mary Reed. Seen Boys. When the
Sawhill-Mc Reed My daughter and
Lyle Gresham, thought they were playing
Come a little closer and I saw they
were fighting. Big Was Near the
wagon. Charley picked up a Rock.
I also saw pick it up. Saw Bill
fall over. They were fighting until
he was knocked down. The Boys
were fighting at Henry & Charlie Bill
wagon, Saw Charley fighting Bill
when he was down.
10th Witness Wilson Reed. Seen Boys. I saw
McWhorter speaking across the
wagon at Henry I saw Henry
motion his hand. Then Charlie
jumped out of Wagon. Then I saw
& missed Ted then saw another
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Bell which knocked Bill Mahorter
down. He then hit him three times.
When he was down. He bit Yellow.
Henry was also on Bill. Cuted on
what he was doing.

12th Whip. Red. Bron Days. When I got
in sight- Bill & the little Yellow
Henry Bro. Fighting Each other. Bill
was trying to pull Henry out of the
wagon. Leslie Shoo a Gock and
that knocked Bill down. He was
not in the Wagon. When he threw
the Gock

13th Hannie Lester. Bron Days. am Lady.
Wife. When we was Coming from Church.
met Bill and his Wife. They were
Setting in a Buggy on the side of
the road. She asked Bie When was
Billy Sims. Henry Spoke up and said
he gone on. They overtook us when we
had gone two Miles. Bill McMahorter
Wife said Glad. Then she said
Helen tell Bill what you said to me
about Bill drawing Gail on you.
Then Bill got out and Com running
to the wagon. He said Henry did you
say I said that Henry said yes.
Then he said Henry dont you them
any more or Ill kill you, dead 9
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Run back, I said Henry run.

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at the Cap'n two Times. I don't Bill
get out of my Wagon Coming. he said
I dont Fear the Devil Cain't. Henry
a Hard Man. Son. of the Bitch. standing
in the Wagon he threw Last Rocks.
One hit Henry on the arm. and a rock
hit me on the back. Charley said
for Bill to get out of my Wagon
the knocked me out at this time.
and then Charley knocked him out-of
the Wagon. he got up after he was
knocked out and hit Henry. and
then Henry hit him on the face
with a rock. he fell then Henry
hit him on the Chin with a rock.
I saw Leslie knock him out-of the
Wagon.

14th Whip. Thomas. Talman said I heard Bill
Bill Henry in Woodville. Saturday
that he would get Henry Sunday
night or Sunday at Dome of the
Churches.

15th Whip. Jim Bridges Brown Boys. heard Bill
and Charley talking Saturday Evening
Bill said to Charley Paddin his
breast. God damn you I'll get you
Bill had his pistol out and said
to Charlie I'll fix you. Said Bill told

16th Whip. Simon Adams. about
two two weeks ago. he was going
to Kill Charlie. if he had to go to his
house. Charlie is my Brother-in-law

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Bill paid # Charlie was telling lies on him to Charlie Sister.

17th Witness. Pik McCorkle, Born says. I am the Father of the Murdered Negro Charlie Lester told me that Com had threatened to kill him, didn't know what was any feeling between Bill & Henry.

We the Jury find that the deceased William McCorkle came to his death at the hands of Henry Bullock and Charley Lester that rocks or other weapons, propelled by Further Proof the killing to be Manslaughter the Evidence is however very conflicting and unsatisfactory and we recommend that Henry Bullock and Charley Lester be held for further investigation.

D. A. Stone.
Thos. H. Barr
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William was justifiable homicide,

J. S. Mathieu,
T. J. Woods.
L. L. Bray.
C. L. Bayless.

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Inquest on Body of Bailey Ross — Continued

1889
Dec 10
P.M. Thurs

Charles Nefs Sworn Says he was well
Eat his Breakfast as usual told him
Good Bye. he Gave me a dollar to pay
a man, was not sick last night
had slight headache. He said that
he thought he had drank. he took
some medicine last week. He left
work at Sun up. he did not eat
Dinner said he was not hungry at all.
C.P. Smith he Complained of his
breast. he slept well. He did not drink
liquor, he sometimes drinks wine.
He did not drink any this morning
He did not seem to be at all sick
Did not take any Medicine last night
went off by himself & not Com[pany]
with Ross and not with him.

P.M. Thurs Wm Young Sworn. Says he & Mr
went up town. He said he fel
well and spoke about the cold
weather. he said something about
Lucy and told a joke & laughed a
hearty laugh. He looked up and said
Oh! and Caught me by the Shoulder
and he sank down and Rubbed
his head and then went for a
Doctor and when I Come back he
was dead. he never spoke only groaned
a little he was breathing when I went
for the Doctor.

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Dr. was coming along together, he slipped
his hand on his left breast over
his heart he let down & said
the misery worked up to his neck
he had been going up and down
the steps carrying heavy loads. every
once in a while would stop & rest
looked like he was sick. I have
heard him complain of being sick
by drawing from mine in mal in the
Cabin & drinking coffee by,

J. Watson,

Knew Charlie worked with Dr. mack
mack, he complained of being sick
& had Medicine to take, he came up
next morning and said he felt
all right. I haven't seen him once
last Monday. he did not complain
any only on Monday,

We the Jury find from the Evidence that Charlie Shaw
came to his death from heart disease. J. Pattison
Dr. Oliver Forman, J. Miller, R. Hayden, J. Rock
J. N. Boath, J. Hulse, W. Newby, Kirkup.
D. Allen, J. M. Burd, J. A. Fahrni, Coroner
W. B. Smith

Inquest over Body of Ann Gaspeau

1859
Nov 23

1st Witness, Tom Roan Col Storm, Says, Came along Railroad track Coming towards Akron this morning about Sun up, got to river trestle, Saw Skull lying just before me on trestle, Before I got to the Skull looked over side of the trestle and saw a woman lying dead in the water, a head of her face shewing I came along after passenger train went out, Told Mr Jim McCurdy about it, Said he already knew she was dead and he took word to the depot agent, Jim McCleary, Then I went to town to Jim Sumner & told him where the body was, and I then went to see Dr. Pitner and told him,

2d Witness, C W Hill Sworn Says, Said the deceased Yesterday Morning, Between 7 and 8 o'clock, just this side of Kenyon Lane, Sam Sexton Master of the North Eastern Railroad, 1st Section,

3 Witness. Dr W M Huff Sworn Says, I was with Jim Hill and saw deceased when he died, I work for the North Eastern Railroad Co.

4th Witness, Andrew Dean Sworn Says, Saw the deceased Yesterday afternoon, in 3rd cut beyond Block Side of trestle, about a quarter of a mile from trestle, Coming to Akron, had a stick in her hand had her dress up, in her hand back looking, Saw her alone Sundown, Had on a Shawl, it was a red one, not her before the passenger train went out, about a quarter of an hour before, She Came, I was going home

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her face was nearly covered, when I came
along this morning had been heard of any-
body's being killed, that was lying between
the track when I came and the Shrewsbury
Train was lying some 8 to 10 feet from where
she was lying, she is a stranger to me,
Train had not gone out this morning when
I came by, I work at Long's brick Yard for
Wm. McCurdy,

Sworn Witness T. O Moore Sworn Says, I am Engineer of the
Passenger Train of the North Eastern Railroad,
I saw Nothing of the Woman, Yesterday afternoon
was not dark, when I got to Granby, had a
good headlight on Engine, could see
Everything in front of me, always look out to
see if track is clear, saw no Object, had
not seen her up and down the road, Passen-
gers, between Lunenburg and Granby, never
knew anything about death of deceased
till Coroner told me after train got to
Lynn, would have seen her if she had
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death at Lula, the morning, at the rate
25 Mrs running would throw her off
if she had been on Track, Freight Train
Struck up Yesterday afternoon about three
quarters of an hour before our passenger
train,

7" Wilcox Morgan Mann, Col Mon Dept, I saw
her day before Yesterday, have not seen
her since until her body was brought
here awhile ago, to Depot & sent for
the North Eastern Railroad

8" Wilcox, Caleb Barnett Col Mon Dept, Met deceased
Yesterday, saw her about half an hour
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of Treadle, towards Ceder, She spoke to me
and asked me how far it was to Town
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She says I will go the Wagon Road, She
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Henry Welbourne Sworn Says, This morning a little after seven oc was coming to Long Creek Yard, when I went for Mr McGinty saw a Dead body on trestle, it was pitched together like it was around neck, and shoulders, got nearly to it, but did not check it, it was lying between track and outside of trestle. I looked over side of trestle and saw the body. Dont know her. She fell, off, never saw her Yesterday

Parkin Smith Sworn Says, That Engineer Night Train, of North Eastern Railroad left Athens yesterday afternoon, about five Oclock, saw nothing on the track. as I got near or to the trestle over river, when I came into Athens this morning, saw dead on track or trestle, dead Woman. Yesterday afternoon about one Mile beyond trestle, walking side of track.. head covered, and black in her hand, was walking on left side of track. My fireman Collins to her, when I saw her it was light and not dark at all. Passenger train left Yesterday afternoon about fifty minutes after my train, I got back to Athens this morning at Eight Oclock and thirty five minutes,

Verdict

We the jury find the deceased Ann Johnson now lying before us dead came to her death by falling from a trestle on the North Eastern Railroad into the Oconee River

Inquest

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2d Witness, Thad Boyd Sworn Says, was passing up Creek & heard Calling, I came & found deceased lying on Ground Speechless. brought him in House, he died, don't know of any trouble he had, with any one, know nothing of his previous Condition or health his Wife & self he had Laid Quiet Spells before,

3rd Witness, Lucy Robinson Sworn Says, he got up before Daylock made fire & mix of his Coffee. Started to Gordon's house, I heard Shooting noise & went out, to See him, he never Spoke after Some time ago he fell down the Country, but nothing unusual with him recently, No one been where he fell. Each was in Lower,

We the Jury Sworn to Enquire into Cause of death of Burrell Robinson here lying dead before us, find he Came to his death from Heart disease,

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