

Coroner's Inquest Report

Inquest Report on Emily Robertson

A Young Woman Drowned

On Saturday an inquest was held by Mr. R. M. Wilson, Coroner, on the body of Emily Robertson, aged 19 Years, daughter of Isaac Robertson of this place, Labourer. It appeared that the deceased, who was rather weak minded, was working for Mr. King on the previous Thursday, looking after the cows and pigs: about three o'clock in the afternoon she went home to ask what time it was and told her mother that she should have tea at Mr. Kings, as she had done on several occasions lately. Miss King said that the deceased left her brother's house about quarter past seven o'clock. She did not however go home, but was found next morning in a pond near her home quite dead: her hat and shawl were by the side of the pond. There were no marks of violence on her body, nor any evidence to show how she got into the pond, and a verdict of "Found Drowned" was returned.

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