

INQUESTS.

SUDDEN DEATH AT EMERALD HILL.—Dr. Yusi held an inquest yesterday, at Emerald Hill, upon the body of a woman named Charlotte Cook, aged thirty-nine years, who died suddenly on Saturday last. The evidence showed that the deceased had been in a bad state of health for some time; that on the afternoon in question her husband went out, and on his return in the evening he found his wife with her head on a box and quite dead. The medical evidence showed

that the cause of death was disease of the heart, and the jury found a verdict agreeing with the medical testimony.

A CHILD KILLED BY SWALLOWING A BEAN.

—On Saturday afternoon, a melancholy occurrence took place at Kellor. A child named Sarah Jane Seuling, aged about five years, while playing with her sister, another little girl, took a number of beans out of a parcel and put some into her mouth. Almost immediately she cried out that she was choking, and her father took her to Dr. Gibson, at Flemington. It was then found that she was dying, and she expired soon afterwards. An inquest was held on the body yesterday afternoon by Mr. Candler, and after the foregoing evidence had been detailed, Dr. Gibson stated that the cause of death was asphyxia from the presence of some foreign body in the trachea. The jury returned a verdict that deceased died from suffocation from a bean accidentally getting into the windpipe.