

THE sudden death of Matthew Harrison, aged 79, a retired farmer, formed the subject of a magisterial inquiry by Mr. David Mitchell, J.P., at the Footscray court-house on Wednesday. On Monday deceased came to Dickson's Hotel, Kororoit Creek, and asked to be supplied with dinner. He was served alone in a room, and no notice taken of him until some hours later, when he was found sitting at the table dead, with his head resting on his hands. The medical testimony of Dr. M'Carthy went to show that deceased had eaten freely, and had apparently subsequently been seized with a fit of vomiting, when some undigested pieces of meat got into the larynx and caused suffocation. The finding was in accord with the medical testimony.