

**INQUESTS.**

**DROWNED.**

Dr. Youl, the city coroner, held an inquest at the Melbourne morgue on Tuesday on the body of Wm. M'Intosh, a carter, aged 55 years. The deceased, who lived at Braybrook with his wife and eight children, drank to excess, and so terrified his wife that she went to live with her daughter at Port Melbourne. While under the influence of drink he called at his daughter's house at midnight on the 15th inst., but was not admitted. George Cooper, a tobacconist, who said he was in a boat on the Yarra, near the Falls-bridge, with three others on the 16th inst., at about 10 minutes past 1 p.m., heard a splash and a man's scream. They pulled to the spot, and found M'Intosh floating in the water, and took him into the boat. He soon became unconscious, and Constable Thomas, who was on the wharf, took him out of the boat and attempted to revive him, but in spite of every effort he gradually sank and died. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

**FATAL BURNS.**

Dr. Youl held an inquiry at the Melbourne Hospital on Tuesday, on the body of Jessie Hopkinson, aged 1 year and 10 months, the daughter of a publican at Hotham. The nurse left the child alone in a room where there was a fire on the 15th ult., and it was supposed that during her absence the deceased's clothes became ignited through her playing with the fire. The flames were extinguished by a person who had been attracted to the room, but the child had been severely burnt, and was taken to the Melbourne Hospital, when inflammation of the lungs supervened, resulting in death on the 15th inst. The jury returned a verdict of death through pneumonia, the result of being accidentally burnt.