Harry Eades

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FATAL FALL AT CARISBROOKE.

On Monday afternoon the Island Coroner held an inquest at the "Castle Hotel," Carisbrooke, on the body of Harry Eades, 50, a carter in the employ of Mr. Henry Hill, the contractor for the new waterworks of the Corporation, whose dead body was found in the stream in Castle-street, Carisbrooke, early that morning. - Job Mitchell, labourer, deposed to finding the body when he went to dip up some water. Deceased was lying on his head, with his legs upwards, in about eight or nine inches of water. He had apparently fallen headlong into the stream whilst walking along the roadway, which had been raised almost level with the protecting rail by the deposit of excavations in connection with the contract work. There was blood in the water where deceased's head was. He had fallen about 6ft. John Milling, night watchman in the employ of the contractor, saw the deceased leaving the "Bugle Inn" about ten o'clock on Sunday night and go towards his home, and he seemed all right. There was a light burning about five yards from the spot where deceased fell. He kept seven danger lights burning all night. - Dr. Waterworth said there was a scalp wound on deceased's right temple. Death, he thought, was due to concussion. There was also another wound on the temple, and deceased's lip was cut through. - A verdict of "accidental death" was returned, and it was decided to call the contractor's attention to the necessity of providing a protecting rail in the dangerous places.

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