

**male child Lacey**

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**NEWPORT.**

**NEWLY-BORN CHILD'S SUDDEN DEATH.** – On Wednesday the Deputy Coroner (F. A. Joyce, Esq.) held an inquest on the body of the newly-born male child of Frank and Jessie Louisa Lacey, of 101 Pyle-street, who died somewhat suddenly early on the morning of the 30<sup>th</sup>-ult. Dr. Raymond said he was called about 1 a.m. on the previous day, and when he arrived at the home he found that the child had apparently just died, the body being still warm. He did not attend at the birth of the child, which he noticed was blue round the mouth. He was informed that the child was fed at a quarter to 12 the previous night. He had made a post-mortem examination, which revealed that the left lung had absolutely collapsed, having never expanded. The right lung had expanded, but not to the full extent he would have expected in the case of a healthy child. To that condition of the lungs he attributed death. Rosa Snow, Landscape House, Carisbrooke, who had been attending the deceased's mother, said the child was born on Saturday, and seemed all right when she left on the evening of the 29<sup>th</sup> ult. When she arrived next morning she was surprised to find that it had died. Jessie Louisa Trueman said that the child began crying on Monday night and continued to cry until it died just before one o'clock in the morning. Mr. Lacey went for the doctor after it began to cry, and it died just before the doctor arrived. The Coroner recorded a verdict that death was due to the lungs not being properly expanded. The new Corporation mortuary was used for the first time for the post-mortem in this case.

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