

Herbert Morris

1901 census, 47 Crocker Street, Newport

Charles Morris	Head	47	Greengrocer's Salesman	Carisbrooke, Isle of Wight
Emily Morris	Wife	47		Carisbrooke, Isle of Wight
Arthur Morris	Son	19	Groom	Carisbrooke, Isle of Wight
William Morris	Son	12		Carisbrooke, Isle of Wight
<i>Herbert Morris</i>	<i>Son</i>	<i>6</i>		<i>Newport, Isle of Wight</i>

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DEATH THROUGH A FALL

The Coroner for the Island (Mr. F. A. Joyce) held an inquest at Newport on Tuesday, on the body of Herbert Morris, aged 12, son of Charles Morris, fruit salesman, of 37, Chapel Street, Newport who died on Sunday night. Evidence showed that deceased attended a Rechabite soiree on the previous Tuesday evening. Next morning he complained of a pain in the hip, and said he had fallen over a form at the soiree and hurt himself. Whilst delirious he said he fell over a stool and hurt his shin, and later that he went over "a regular buster." He made no complaint of being pushed.

Charles Matthews, another boy who attended the soiree, said that deceased was lying across three chairs, and that whilst doing so he was trying to lift the centre chair over himself when he fell and the chair came down on his stomach.

Doctor Coombs, who was called in on Thursday last, said that deceased developed traumatic peritonitis on Friday, which was set up by the fall, and which caused death. Deceased was predisposed to peritonitis, and had undergone an operation for appendicitis.

The jury returned a verdict that death was due to peritonitis, caused by an accidental fall.

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