Noah Holbrook

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NEWPORT

Scalded to Death. – On Friday, the Deputy-Coroner for the Island (Mr H.R.Hooper) held an inquest at the Prince Regent Inn, concerning the death of Noah Holbrook, a child aged four and seven months, who died on Thursday last from injuries sustained by severe scalds on the 23rd of September. It appeared from the evidence that the parents live at 25, Coppin's Bridge, Newport. On the night of Monday, the 23rd, the deceased was sitting by the fireside. A saucepan of boiling soup was at the time standing on the fire. Deceased got up to go to his father, who was sitting on the opposite side of the fireplace, when he stumbled and fell into the fender, upsetting the saucepan, the contents pouring out upon him and inflicting severe scalds on the body, legs, and arms. Medical aid was at once procured, and Drs. Foster and Coombs were in attendance. At the time of the accident the child was dressed in its night-shirt ready for bed. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

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