

CORONERS

INQUESTS



Inquest Report on Joseph Gray

Crushed to Death

Mr Whitmarsh held an inquest on Wednesday last at Mere, on the body of Joseph Gray. Deceased was at work on the preceding Monday morning in a quarry with other men, when about ten load of earth and stone suddenly fell from above upon him and he remained for some minutes completely buried.

When extricated from his awful situation, assistance was promptly administered, but in vain as the poor fellow survived only seven hours after the accident. The injuries he received were concussion of the brain and three fractured ribs on his left side which perforated the lungs - the latter of which caused his death.

Verdict: "Accidental Death."

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