

This new cell was not occupied. I saw nothing in her hands when she entered. The nurses did not enter the cell. I did not either, and when the door was opened there was no sign of smoke or fire. There was a straw beddic placed along one of the sides of the cell, and I am positive that said straw beddic was not on fire at that time. Immediately after the patient entered her cell, the door was closed, and I left.

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The Coroner afterwards charged the jury as follows :

Gentlemen of the Jury,

You have heard the evidence which has been laid before you in a plain and lucid manner. It is for you now to say if you are in a position to resolve the several propositions I had the honor of submitting to you when I first addressed you, and ready to render your verdict.

The jury, by their foreman,—We are.

The several propositions and answers thereto having been agreed upon between the Coroner and jurors, the verdict was worded by the Coroner and submitted to the jury, who unanimously accepted it as being the true expression of their mind upon the subject of the inquest. The following verdict was accordingly found :

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