

THE SUICIDE IN BACK PARKER-ST.

INQUEST AND VERDICT.

The Derby Borough Coroner (Mr. John Close) held an inquest at the Town Hall this ((Tuesday) afternoon on the body of William Cockayne, aged 51, wheelwright, of 25, Back Parker-street.—The widow, Kate Cockayne, said she last saw her husband alive on Monday afternoon, having his dinner. Witness went out for a short time, and on her return found the door locked. Unable to gain admission, she got her little boy to enter by the window. Deceased was then found hanging by a rope to the bannisters. A neighbour was called, and the body cut down. Deceased was not quite dead, for he breathed once or twice, but he expired shortly afterwards. Deceased had been drinking heavily during the last few days, and was drunk when witness last saw him. He had nothing to trouble him except that he was occasionally troubled with rheumatism.—The son of the deceased, a lad of 11, and a neighbour, Mr. Pateman, who cut the body down, also gave evidence. The latter differed from the widow in that he thought death took place before the body was cut down.—The jury returned a verdict of "Suicide while temporarily insane."