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Coroner's Inquest.

CASE OF

James Wilson Doane

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Francis P. Christoph
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Stanley A. Clark
CORONER.

STATE of INDIANA, } ss.
St. Joseph County,

I, Stanley A. Clark Coroner of said County,

do hereby certify that upon the 14 day of Feb 1907

at South Bend Ind. - 1713 Victoria av.

I held an inquest on the body of James Wilson Doane the

following being the report in full of the proceedings of said inquest:

Reatha Cuffel being duly sworn states and deposes that she resides at 1713 Victoria av. South Bend. Ind. She is a daughter of James W. Doane, deceased. In regard to her father's death she says: - My father has been afflicted with disease of the liver, causing drooping of the abdomen, since September 1906. He has ^{not} been confined to his bed until Friday Feb 8, 1907. Since Friday he groaned almost continually, and seemed in a dozed condition; would not respond to questions and complained of a smothered feeling.

The morning of Wednesday Feb 14 - 1907 my brother Chauncey Doane, went to my father's room at about 6⁴⁵ a.m. and found him dead in bed.

I believe his death to have been due to disease of the liver.

x Mrs Reatha Cuffel

Chauncey Doane being duly sworn states and deposes that he is a son of James W. Doane deceased and resides at South Bend, Ind. He is 22 years of age.

He states that his father has been suffering since September 1906 with disease of the liver and dropsy of abdomen.

Dr. Dorset, of Michewata, Ind. had seen him, and prescribed medicine for him several times since that time, but had not seen him for four weeks.

He states that his father was not so well as usual for three or four days preceding his death and that the night of Feb 13- he sat up with his father until 4 a.m. During this time he was very restless, and had difficulty in breathing because of the pressure in the abdomen.

At 4 a.m. Feb 14- he left his father's room and when he returned to the room at 6⁴⁵ a.m. his father was dead.

That he took no medicine, except $\frac{1}{8}$ gr morphine at 4 P.m. Feb 13-07 and Feb 14-07 at 2 a.m. $\frac{1}{8}$ gr.

He had a slight locking cough for 2 months preceding his death.

Chauncey Doane.

State of Indiana, St. Joseph County, ss:

I, *Stanley A. Clark* Coroner of said County, having examined the body of *James W. Doane*

and heard the testimony of the witness, which said testimony is hereto attached, do hereby find that the said deceased came to *his* death *Corrosion of Liver with Ascites*

The said deceased being a *male*; of the age of *55* years; *5* feet and *6* inches in height; *gray* hair; *blue* eyes; *—* complexion; nativity *—*; and had on *his* person at the time of *—* death *nothing found*

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of my office, this *14* day

of *July* 190*7*
Stanley A. Clark SEAL
CORONER OF ST. JOSEPH COUNTY, INDIANA