

terms stated... The proceedings then terminated.

THE FATAL ACCIDENT AT WOODHOUSE MILL.
—An inquest was held, on Monday, at the Princess Royal Hotel, Woodhouse Mill, by Mr. D. Wightman, deputy-coroner, touching the death of George **Wheatcroft**, of Staveley, a horse driver in the employ of the Staveley Iron and Coal Company, who was engaged on Saturday morning in shunting waggons on the siding at Woodhouse Mill Station, when he was caught between the buffers and died in a few minutes. Joseph Beech stated that deceased was engaged in shunting empty waggons on to the siding. The horses started the waggons, and deceased attempted to unhook the trace, but could not get the hook off. The horses turned from the rails, and deceased was caught by the chain across the waist and held against the nearest waggon until the other waggons came up and crushed him between the buffers. Witness went to his assistance, and the body was removed. Joseph Thompson gave similar evidence. The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death."

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