

ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February 1887

INQUEST ON A CHILD. – An inquest was held on the body of Frances Mary PITT, 3 months old, child of James R. PITT, of Swanmore. – The mother of the child said that on Thursday morning, while dressing, she noticed the child breathed as though from a bad cold, and mentioned the fact to her husband. Noticing a change come over the face of the child, she went to her and found her dead. She had seemed all right the previous evening.

Dr. WOODWARD said he had made a *post mortem*, and found death was caused by congestion of the lungs, but it was most extraordinary for it to come on so quickly – A verdict in accordance with the doctor's evidence was returned.

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