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SUDDEN DEATH. - On going to a shed in the rear of his house on Tuesday morning Mr. Albert GALE, of Wilmington House, St. John's-hill, was shocked to find the dead body of Mr. Frederick NORRIS. He at once communicated with the police and Dr. Firman EDWARDS was sent for, but on his arrival he could only confirm the fact that death had taken place.

Subsequently, on the instructions of the coroner, Dr. Firman EDWARDS made a post mortem examination which revealed that death was due to heart failure and an inquest was not held. Deceased, who was 69 years of age, was a native of the town. He was a single man and a mason by occupation. For a while he had been an inmate of the Poor Law Institution, but when out of the house on leave he used to visit Mr. GALE, who showed him much kindness and gave him odd jobs of work. He visited Mr. GALE on Monday, and in the evening was given supper, when he stated that he was in good health, as he appeared to be. Soon after 10 o'clock he said "Good night" and was seen to go towards the gate, Mr. GALE presuming he was going to his sister's house, where he had previously had tea. In the morning Mr. GALE, who recently suffered a heavy bereavement by the death of his wife, made the sad discovery.

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