

FATAL ACCIDENT TO A RYDE MAN. – An inquest was held at the Council Chamber, Penny-street, Portsmouth, on Monday afternoon, touching the death of Harry SIVIER, aged 31 years, lately residing at 9, East-street, Portsmouth who met with his death on Friday last by a barrel containing treacle falling upon him. Deceased was employed as a carter by Messrs CURTISS and SONS, the well-known carriers, and was a native of Ryde. It appears that the poor fellow was in the act of getting a barrel of treacle ready for shipment on board one of the Ryde boats, when, by an unfortunate slip, deceased fell, and the barrel of treacle, weighing over 3 cwt., fell upon his head, crushing it in a fearful manner and killing him instantly. Dr. MORLING, of High-street, was sent for, and attended immediately, but too late to render any service. The case is rendered the more distressing by the fact that a fellow workman, seeing danger, offered to assist the deceased in moving the cask, but the offer was declined, the deceased saying he would do it himself, and the words had scarcely escaped him when the sad catastrophe took place.

A verdict was returned in accordance with the evidence.
