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INQUISITION.

Canada
Province of British Columbia }
District or County of Kamourisc }

An Inquisition indented taken at East Wellington, Mountain District,
British Columbia, the 23rd day of August in the forty eighth
year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lady Victoria, before me, Daniel Glunnes, M. D.,

gentleman, one of the Coroners for our Lady the Queen, for
the District or County aforesaid, upon the view of the body of Foo Kung
a Chinaman

then and there and within the jurisdiction of the
said Coroner, lying dead, upon the oaths of
Samuel B. Roberts (preman), B. P. Westwood
Joseph Ramsay, William Allison, John
Sand and John Wilkinson

good and lawful men of East Wellington aforesaid, in the said District or
County of Kamourisc, who being now here sworn and charged to enquire, on the part of our
said Lady the Queen, when, where, how, and after what manner, the said Foo Kung
a Chinaman — came to his death, do say upon their oath, that we the

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Undersigned Jurors find the deceased Chinaman Foo
Kung came to his death not from the injuries
received on April 30th, 1884, but from want of
skillful attendance - the deceased refusing attendance
from the Colliery Surgeon

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IN WITNESS whereof, as well the aforesaid Coroner as the Jurors aforesaid, have to this Inquisition put their seals, on the day and year and at the place first above-mentioned.

Samuel B. Roberts

B. J. Westwood

Joseph Ramsay

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Robert Kelpatrick, sworn deposed - being a miner residing at East Wellington; knew the deceased Chinaman Foo Kong by sight only; saw the deceased alive on the morning of April 30th - on the day on which he was hurt; the deceased was injured at the same time that Neil McLean was killed; cannot say what the Chinaman was doing when he got hurt; saw the deceased Chinaman on the west side of East Hill's gallery after he received his injury; I am opinion that the deceased received his injury from a fall of rock from the roof; it was the same fall of rock that killed McLean; the deceased was in the habit of hauling coal for McLean; the rock was full of slips and of a slaty nature; was the first to go into McLean's place and saw the deceased sitting on the road holding his leg and complaining of it; the Chinaman was screaming as if in pain; he made no remarks as to how he was injured; after taking McLean out we examined the place and found a hole as though McLean had been in the act of charging it also found his charging gear there; in my opinion the rock slipped from the roof near the face, while McLean was charging the hole; the fall of the rock in my opinion injured the deceased Chinaman Foo Kong; felt the leg of the deceased and found that it was broke close to the ankle; the deceased was put in a box and removed by his fellow Chinamen; have not seen him since; anybody would have considered the place safe, would have done so myself if I had been there;

By Mr. A. Dick, Inspector of Mines - I do not ^{know} if the deceased is the same Chinaman that was hurt at the time McLean was killed; there was considerable rock fall at that time; the rock was a kind of soft or loose rock.

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which was likely to come down after standing for a
time; the rock was between 18 and 20 inches thick; the
rock had dropped close to the face and from a slip;
cant say whether the rock should have been timbered
or not; the rock would have had to be taken down
anyway; think if the Lean thought the rock was loose
he would have taken it down & put a prop to
support it temporarily;

Robt Kilpatrick

Taken before me at East Wellington
this 23rd day of August, 1884

W. C. Clegg M.D.

Coroner.

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William S. Chandler, sworn - deposed; an Financial
Manager of the East Wellington Colliery and reside
at East Wellington, the deceased Chinaman Foo
Kung is the same Chinaman who was hurt in the
East Wellington Colliery on April the 30th; the
deceased received his injuries as stated by the witness
Kilpatrick; saw the Chinaman when he was injured
and Dr. Walkem dressed the wounds the same morning;
the appliances that Dr. Walkem placed on the deceased
~~were~~ were removed by deceased's Chinese friends and re-
dressed by the Chinese doctor; the deceased has been
under the care of the Chinese doctor ever since; I do
not think that the deceased was properly treated by
the Chinese doctor; the deceased refused to be treated
by the Colliery Surgeon - Dr. Walkem; the deceased
died on the 22nd day of August, instant.
W^m S. Chandler.

Taken before me at East Wellington
this 23rd day of August, 1884

W. Clive for M.D.

Crowner.