

**MANSLAUGHTER AT MIRFIELD.**—On Tuesday night an inquest was held at the Ship Inn, Mirfield, before Mr. Taylor, touching the death of a little girl, named Hobson, the daughter of a labourer residing at Thornhill. A man named Richard Heywood, a carter, in the employ of Mr. Roberts, brewer, of Farnley Tyas, who, it was alleged, had been the cause of the accident by which the deceased met her death, was present in custody of the police, and Mr. Ibberson, solicitor, watched the proceedings on his behalf. The evidence proved that on Monday afternoon, about half-past five o'clock, the deceased was in one of two panniers borne by a donkey, riding along the turnpike road at Mirfield, when Heywood came up in his waggon, the horses going at a smart trot. One wheel of the vehicle struck the empty pannier, forcing it down, and this caused the girl to fall on to the road. The fore and hind wheels of the waggon passed over the body of the deceased, and crushed her in such a manner as caused her immediate death. The waggon continued its course for about fifty yards, and then Heywood pulled up and came to see what had occurred. He afterwards went away, but was taken into custody by the police next morning. The jury having had these facts laid before them, returned a verdict of "Manslaughter against Hepworth," and the Coroner made out a warrant for his committal to the assizes.