

Round Hand Document: Middlesex Coroner's Inquest, 1786 Transcription

Bartholomew Bouigue of Whitecross Street Surgeon and Apothecary and Samuel Rayley – of Old Street Surgeon, Severally make oath and say and first the said B. Bouigue, Saith that on Wednesday night he attended the Dec[eas]ed found her in a Dying state of aputrid Fever caused by a premature Delivery the child was then Dead which Deponent Saw, and doth the Deponents Say that on Friday last they examined both the Bodies and on a strict Examination of the said Ann Rose's Body they found some marks of violence or contusions in different parts of the Body the principal of which were on the os Sacrum or Lowerpart of the Spine Bone another on the middlepart near the Elbow of the Left arm and the other contusions were on both wrists and on the Dec[eas]ed male child they observed a ~~Singular~~ ^Similar^ appearance on the os Sacrum as on the Mother and Several Small bruises on the back between the Two Shoulders, and are both of opinion that the dec[eas]ed Ann Rose and the said male child did not die of this and Bruises, but that the child died in consequence of a premature delivery and that the fright that the Scuffle had occasioned the said Ann Rose to Suffer brought on Such delivery and the putrid fever which was the cause of her Death

Barth[olome]w Bouigue
Sam[ue]l Rayley –

Phebe wife of John Markham of Whitecross Street Butcher upon her oath saith that she is a midwife, that she was called in to the Dec[eas]ed Ann Rose on Tuesday morning and found that nature had done all the Business, that she gave the Dec[eas]ed and the child then alive every assistance in her power – and the Dec[eas]ed Ann Rose said oh Mrs. Markham I cant live, That one Eliz[abe]th Rose whose fetched the Deponent said the Business is done, and the Dec[eas]ed then said (in ans[we]r) to Deponents observing she was not at her times no she was not, and she Should [] have been so, if it had not been owing to her Husbands Sister using her ill, and said that had it not been for Sarah Robinson interfering she the Dec[eas]ed should have been murderd between them both (meaning as Deponent Supposes Richard Lewis and his Sister) and Saith a child so prematurely bro[gh]t forth cannot Live and that a Fever ensued in consequence of the said Ann Rose's being so delivered which caused her Death.

Phebe Markham

Elizabeth the wife of James Rose of No. 3 Cowheel Alley aforesaid Tile cutter, upon her oath Saith that she saw the Dec[eas]ed Ann Rose on Sunday Morning after the Scuffle and having heard and a great Noise and Murder cried during the Night and as she Supposed in the Alley asked what was the matter, and was informed by Richard Lewis who was Drunk, that they had had a Drunking, and on Tuesday went into the Room of the Dec[eas]ed and she complained that she was ill, that something was coming from her and Deponent supposing her in Labour fetched Mrs. Markham and while she was gone, nature had delivered the Dec[eas]ed of a male child alive which lived three Hours, Saith that the Dec[eas]ed told Mrs. Markham that she had a sad pain in her Back when Mrs. Markham endeavoured to raise her up and Said that Sarah Robinson had saved her Life for that either one or the other (meaning as Deponent supposes Richard Lewis and his Sister) must have killed her,

The mark of
+
Eliz[abe]th Rose

These Depositions were Severally taken
and acknowledged the day year and place
[a]bove mentioned before }