

This midnight tragedy was inquired into by the County Coroner, Mr. A de C Gibb at Saltash Guildhall on Monday the case of the woman being first taken. Mr. E. Browning was chosen foreman of the jury.

Mrs. Roberts had nothing fresh to add. Alfred Lanyon her brother was in Redmans company during the evening, and went home with him at 10.30 when the deceased woman and her brother were also there. Redman brought out whisky but only witness drank any. Everyone was on perfectly friendly terms.

Elizabeth Ann Crapp gave evidence on the personal relations of the parties and said Redman and deceased's husband were great friends. Mr. Seward knew deceased lived at Redmans house and when he was on leave about five months ago he and deceased came there daily from Ford. There was no trouble between Redman and witness' daughter so far as witness knew. Redman was a teetotaler. It was 11.30 on Saturday night when they left Redman's house and witness did not think more than ten minutes elapsed before Mrs. Roberts called her, and she found her daughter with her throat cut.

The Coroner : "Can you account for it in any way! was Redman jealous! " "I think he took it to heart because my daughter was going home to live again. That was why I was up there to say goodbye to her." Deceased had been at Devonport all the week, and only came to Saltash that afternoon. She told witness she was going home by the 10 'o' clock train, but she agreed to stop on Sunday to cook dinner for the children. Deceased was expecting her husband home. Redman was very fond of Mr. Seward. He told deceased she may as well stop to look after his children. But witness said she thought she ought to go to her home. Witness had not heard Redman threaten deceased and had not known him to be depressed.

TOO FRIENDLY AT ONE TIME

In reply to Supt. Gard witness said she used to attend on Redman
Supt. Gard: "Was it on account of Redmans and your daughter being too friendly, and you were opposed to her going to his house, that you gave up working for him?" "Yes."

"In consequence of that complaint your daughter stayed away from your house?" "Yes, that was about twelve months ago."

"And you were not on speaking terms?"

"No not until her husband came home five months ago."

When Seward returned home he went to Redmans house. She then thought if he did not object to his wife going there, witness need not concern herself. Police Sgt. Hebbard and a National reservist called him to Silver St., at 12.10 a.m. on Sunday, and he found the body of deceased four paces from the front door of No. 12, she was lying on her back and was undressed except for a chemise. She was dead. He pushed open the door of No. 12 and saw Redman lying behind it in a pool of blood life was extinct. In the room on the right a lamp was burning, the top sash of the window was down and the bed had had apparently been occupied by two children, a womans garments were on the bed rail, nothing was disturbed in the room. Taking the lamp, witness went into the other room where behind the door was a bed on which was a single impression. A pool of blood was on the floor on the right side of the bed and from there to the spot where deceased was found was a trail of blood. He found a razor saturated with blood and

with hair similar to that of deceased.