Mc DOUGALL, Herbert F. 9 January 1900

Designation	Accident Location	Accident Due to
Shunter	Fremantle	Shunting operations

Herbert McDougall was 26 years of age when he was run over and killed while shunting on Victoria Quay, Fremantle. A coronial inquest determined that his death was accidental. Herbert was interred at the New (in 1902) Fremantle Cemetery (ROMAN CATHOLIC/MON C/0603).

FUNERAL NOTICES.
McDOUGALL.
The friends of the late Mr. Herbert McDougall (late Shunter, Railway Yards, Fremantle) are respectfully invited to follow his remains to the place of interment, the Roman Catholic portion of the New Fremantle Cemetery. The Funeral is appointed to leave Mr. Arthur E. Davies's Undertaking Establishment at 3 o'clock THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON.
ARTHUR E. DAVIES, Undertaker, Market-street, Fremantle.

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THE VICTORIA QUAY FATALITY.
VERDICT OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH.
A PATHETIC INCIDENT.
The inquiry into the death of Herbert McDougall a shunter in the employ of the 'Railway Department, who was run over and killed on the Victoria Quay, on the afternoon of the 9th inst. was resumed at the Coroner's Court, Fremantle, yesterday morning, before Mr. R. Dearle, J.P. Sergeant Hopkins, of the water police, conducted the case. and Mr. W. Lord appeared on behalf of the Railway Department.

The principal witness was a lumper named Joseph Robson who saw the accident. He stated that at about twenty minutes past 1 p.m.. on the 9th inst., he was walking along the Victoria Quay, when a rake of trucks which was being propelled by an engine came by him. He saw the deceased cut off one of the trucks and it was "kicked" on to a loop line. The rake continued moving and McDougall jumped on to the end truck and sat with his leg over the side. He suddenly seemed to think of something and stood up on the truck with the evident intention of crossing over to the other side. As he stood up, he appeared to stumble, and witness saw him fall over the end of the truck. The trucks were travelling at about two miles an hour at the time and three wheels passed over the deceased before the rake was brought to a standstill. Deceased made no outcry, and death was apparently instantaneous. The shunting was not being done roughly and witness was of opinion that the occurrence was a pure accident.

Evidence was also given by Harry Henshaw the driver of the engine, Michael John D'Arcy, senior shunter to the deceased, and Thomas Savage foreman of *the* Government railways on the Victoria Quay and their testimony went to how that the deceased was a steady and careful man and that every care was being exercised in the shunting operations when the accident took place.

The jury returned a verdict of accidental death, attaching no blame to anyone.

A sad incident in connection with McDougall's tragic death, was that he was to have been married at Christmas. The funeral of the deceased took place yesterday afternoon, and the esteem in which he was held was evidenced by the large number who joined in the cortege and the many floral tributes placed on his coffin.

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