

THE MILTON TRAGEDY.

The magisterial inquiry into the death of Tatsuzo Tobita, on the 9th June, was concluded yesterday, before Mr. E. D. Neilson, J.P. Inspector Nethercote conducted the inquiry.

Sazuzo Tomida, partner in the firm of Asahi and Co., and a resident of Thursday Island, gave evidence. He stated that he had come to Brisbane on a visit, and that later he went to Sydney in company with deceased, on a short holiday. After their return, deceased received a letter from Japan, which had a depressing effect on him, as it broke off an engagement which he had contracted with a young lady in Japan. Deceased had informed witness that he intended going home next year to be married. Further, he told witness that the business had been bad, and that he was sorry for his partners' sakes. On the morning before his death, Tobita told witness that he had got up early, and had been walking somewhere, because he could not sleep. Witness gave further evidence, corroborative of that given by previous witnesses.

Constable Chatfield deposed to finding the body. He remained in charge of the corpse till the arrival of Acting Sergeant Burgess, at 6.50 a.m.

Acting-Sergeant Burgess, stationed at Rosalie, deposed that about 6.40 a.m., he received a telephone message, and proceeded to Milton Station, and at a short distance therefrom found the dead body of deceased. The 6.20 a.m. train from Brisbane to Indooroopilly had passed over the body before witness arrived.

The inquiry then closed.