

ATTENDANT HELD

BLAMELESS

CORONER'S INQUEST EXONERATES
ASYLUM EMPLOYEE IN DEATH
OF PATIENT.

Jamestown, April 23.—In the inquest held by Coroner Guest over the body of John Severson of Grand Forks who died from the effects of getting into a bath-tub of hot water Wednesday. Attendant Jones who had charge of the man at the time, was completely exonerated of blame under the law. The summary of the report of the inquest in part as follows:

“That John Severson, deceased patient at the state hospital for the insane came to his death by getting into a bath-tub on Ward 9, east of said hospital, in which bath-tub there was hot water which scalded said deceased, from the shock of which he died. He met with this accident about 7:15 o'clock a. m., April 21, 1910 and died the evening of the same day. That deceased, at the time of the accident, was in charge of Attendant Oscar James and was by him left at the bath-tub for a few minutes, owing to his attention being called by a disturbance at another part of the ward and that the said James was not culpably negligent or criminally so, and that deceased did not meet his death feloniously.”