

FINCHLEY BABY'S SUDDEN DEATH.

An inquest was held yesterday by Dr. George Cohen, coroner, relative to the death of James Bedford, an eight months' old child, who died suddenly on Monday afternoon.

Emily Bedford, wife of Richard William Bedford, labourer, of 4, William-street, Finchley, and mother of the infant, stated that the child was eight months' old. He was not healthy, and was under Dr. Rooke until three months ago. It died about ten minutes past five on Monday afternoon. The child had got chicken pox, but her other little child had just got over it, and so she did not trouble to call in the doctor. She was cutting bread and butter for tea, and she turned round and the baby, who was sitting in a chair, was black in the face. She picked it up and rushed out to the back thinking the fresh air might bring it round.

Dr. Stanley Rooke, who had been called in, stated that death was due to asphyxia and convulsions, brought on from teething.

A verdict of death from natural causes was returned.