

SUFFOCATED BY GAS.

Mrs. Laurel Draper of North Prairie Dead a Week Before Found.

Wednesday morning Justice Evans and a party of jurors went to North Prairie to investigate the cause of the death of Mrs. Laurel Draper, who had been found dead in her home. Mrs. Draper had been to Troy Centre to visit her parents, whose name is De-witt, and had returned a week ago last Monday. That night the neighbors saw a light in the window. After that they did not see the light or the woman again. Finally they got anxious and made an investigation. Mrs. Draper was found dead. The jurors decided that she had been dead a week, and that her death had been caused by gas escaping from the coal stove. Justice Evans says that when he entered the house the smell of gas was still discernible. Mrs. Draper was 45 years old, and was divorced from her husband.