Ludgershall Inquests 1830 - 1839



1832 EDWARD JERVIS

An inquest was taken by Mr Whitmarsh on the 6th inst. an inquest at Ludgershall, on the body of Edward Jervis, a native of Fovant, who was found dead in a barn belonging to Mr Hutchins, of the former place. Verdict: Visitation of God.

Salisbury and Winchester Journal 13 August 1832

1834 ELIZABETH EDWARDS

Mr Whitmarsh held an inquest on Thursday at Ludgershall, on the body of Elizabeth Edwards. Deceased was about 18 months old, and having walked into the garden, fell into a pan of water and was drowned. Verdict: Accidental Death.

Salisbury and Winchester Journal 08 September 1834

1837 DANIEL DOBBS

On Tuesday, Mr Whitmarsh held an inquest at Ludgershall, on the body of Daniel Dobbs, who fell down, while partaking of his dinner, and died within an hour afterwards. the knowledge that Dobbs lived on very unhappy terms with his wife, coupled with the circumstance of his awfully sudden death, gave rise to reports that he had been poisoned, and much interested was excited at the inquest. But it was clearly and satisfactorily proved by the surgeon that he died of apoplexy. The Jury therefore returned their verdict accordingly. Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette 11 May 1837

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THOMAS COOK

An inquest was taken on Tuesday, at Ludgershall, on a man named Thos Cook. The deceased was nearly 60 years of age. He had been at work all day on Saturday, in his usual health. On Sunday morning his wife left him in bed but hearing a slight noise about half an hour afterward, she went into his room and found him at the point of death. He lived but a few minutes afterwards. Verdict, died by the Visitation of God.

Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette 03 August 1837

1839 JOSEPH HUNT

An inquest was taken by Mr Whitmarsh, during the past week, at Ludgershall, on the body of Joseph Hunt, who fell under the wheel of his car, whilst endeavouring to get off for the purpose of walking up Shaw Hill. He was severely injured in the head and survived two days. Verdict: Accidental; deodand, 1s Salisbury and Winchester Journal 12 March 1838

JOHN STURGESS

On Wednesday, Mr Whitmarsh held an inquest at Ludgershall, on the body of John Sturgess, 67 years of age, who was found dead in his bed-room. Verdict: Visitation of God.

Salisbury and Winchester Journal 20 May 1839