

CORONERS

INQUESTS



Inquest at Semley

Mr. Whitmarsh held an inquest at Semley, on Monday last, on the body of Joseph Gray, who destroyed himself by cutting his throat, in the poor-house, in that place. The deceased had been blind for upwards of ten years, but was able to shave himself. Many of his neighbours proved, that for the last two or three years he appeared clouded and bewildered in his imagination, lamenting to the clergyman (who often kindly attended him) that there was no ray of hope for him, that God had forsaken him, &c. From many acts proved to have been committed by him, the Jury were induced to return a verdict of Lunacy.

Fifteen years ago Mr. Whitmarsh held an inquest on the wife of the above Joseph Gray, who drowned herself in the same parish.

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