



CORONERS INQUESTS



Inquest on Robert Dudman

An Inquest was held by Mr. R. M. Wilson, on Friday, on the body of Robert Dudman, a labourer, aged 52 years. On the previous day, about 9 o'clock in the morning, deceased was engaged with others digging potatoes, and was in the act of pushing his prong into the ground, when he was observed to suddenly fall down. One of the men procured a little brandy, but deceased could not swallow it, and he died in a few minutes. He had frequently complained of a pain in his chest and bowels, and more particularly during this last harvest. The cause of death was attributed to the rupture of a large blood vessel near the heart.

Verdict - "Visitation of God".

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