



SOUTH WILTSHIRE CORONER'S INQUESTS



Upton Lovell

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William HINTON

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Inquests – Mr F. T. Sylvester held an inquiry at the Union Workhouse on Friday concerning the death of William Musselwhite, aged 59, who died suddenly the previous afternoon. Deceased, who was a native of Sutton Veny, had been an inmate of the workhouse for several years. On the day of his death he was sent into the town with a load of firewood, and on his return called at the White Hart and had some beer. He appeared all right when served with the liquor, but was found dead shortly afterwards in the yard adjoining the inn. - Mr Flower, surgeon, said deceased suffered from heart disease, to which he attributed his death. – The jury returned a verdict accordingly.

On Tuesday morning an inquest was held at the same place, by Mr Sylvester, on the body of William Hinton, aged 89, who died in the Union on Sunday. Deceased was formerly a cloth worker at Upton Lovell, where he lived alone. – From the evidence of a neighbor it appeared that deceased was scalded on the 12th ult. By a kettle falling off the fire and the boiling water going over his foot. As he had no relatives near, he was removed to the workhouse. – Mr Flower attributed death to exhaustion produced by the scald. He did not consider it a severe wound, and a younger man would soon have recovered from it.

The jury returned a verdict of “Accidental death.”

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