



CORONERS INQUEST REPORTS



Collingbourne Kingston 1800-1849

1836

And on the 9th, at Collingbourn Kingston, Philip Highett, who lived at Burbage, and died the previous Tuesday, from apoplexy, occasioned by drunkenness, as he was returning home from Stockbridge with an empty cart, accompanied by a person named Robert Barley. Verdict, Natural death. **Salisbury and Wiltshire Journal, 18 April 1836**

1838

Dreadful death. An inquest was held by Mr Whitmarsh on Monday last at Collingbourn Kingston, on the body of a poor man whose name was unknown. It appeared that he was discovered on preceding Wednesday, lying on some straw in a shed in the above village, where he earnestly entreated he might be allowed to remain during the night, promising to leave in the morning. In the morning, however, the poor fellow was found insensible. He was removed into a farmhouse, where every assistance was paid him, but he died soon afterwards. He had seen better days, he said, when first discovered; and had been a harness maker at Chatham. Verdict, Died from the inclemency of weather. **Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette, 8 February 1838**