



CORONERS INQUESTS



Devizes 1800-1849

1803

On Monday he (Mr. Whitmarsh) took an inquest at the Druid's Head, on the Devizes turnpike, on view of the body of James Swayne, who was found dead on the road: no marks of violence appearing on the body, the Jury returned a Verdict - "Visitation of God." **Salisbury and Winchester Journal, 19 December 1803**

1839

An inquest was on the 1st instant held at the New Prison, Devizes, before Mr. Slade, on view of the body of Thomas Keene, a prisoner - It appeared that the deceased, who was a discharged soldier, entered the prison the 5th Jan. last, and shortly afterwards came under the notice of the medical officer, by whom he was sent to the infirmary and excused from labour; that he continued there with very slight intermission till his death, having had every attention which his case required. The constitution of the deceased had become impaired during his services in the army abroad.; which brought on consumption. Verdict - Visitation of God. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette, 4 July 1839**

1847

An inquest was held at the White Bear, on Tuesday last, before H. K. Norris, Esq., Coroner for the borough, on the body of Grace Rose, aged 62. It appeared that at noon on that day she appeared quite well and ate a hearty dinner, but that shortly afterwards she fell down and instantly expired. Verdict - Died by the Visitation of God. **Wiltshire Independent, 10th June 1847**