



Coroner's Inquest Report

Minety

John Withers

Inquest at Minety, on the body of John Withers, 18 years of age. Deceased had accompanied his uncle and others, who belonged to a band of musicians, in their going around to the farm houses in the neighbourhood, when they arrived at Minety Old Inn between 8 and 9 o'clock in the evening.

Here they took refreshment, and whilst doing so the uncle asked deceased to go and fetch his brother, who lived close by. Deceased started off but never returned.

The following day search was made for him in consequence of being missed, and at last he was found drowned in a pit of water situate in the garden of the Old Inn. It appeared that deceased had mistaken his way in the dark, having taken the wrong path, which led to the accident.

Verdict: Accidental death.

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