



CORONERS INQUESTS



Mr. Henry Hatcher

An inquest was held on Monday last, by Mr. Wilson, at the Council Chamber, Salisbury, on the body of Mr. Henry Hatcher. From the evidence adduced it appeared that Mr. Hatcher had been the day before in the enjoyment of his usual good health, and upon his return from church had complained of the cold, but nothing more; that he had retired to rest at ten o'clock and was discovered dead in his bed the next morning, at seven o'clock, when called by his servant. His death was attributed by Mr. Henry Coates to angina pectoris.

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Died, suddenly, on Monday morning last, in his 69th year, Mr. Henry Hatcher, the "Historian of Salisbury." His literary and scientific acquirements were well known at the world at large: his private worth and many virtues could only be appreciated by those who enjoyed the happiness of his intimate society. Mr. Hatcher was a superior mathematician, had a perfect knowledge of the ancient and modern languages, and possessed literary attainments of a superior order. He has much enriched by his historical and antiquarian researches the history of our city and of a large portion of this county. Free in communication on historical or literary subjects, his stores of antiquarian information were ever open for the advantages or amusement of his neighbours or scientific compeers. His death has closed a source of information, which this neighbourhood and Mr. Hatcher's correspondents will not now be slow to appreciate. A brief memoir for this excellent man, from the pen of a valued correspondent, appears in our preceding page.

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