

## UPTON LOVELL CLOTH MILL

William Miles was charged with threatening his wife, and with being drunk and disorderly at Upton Lovell on the 29<sup>th</sup> Sept.- Colonel Everett, who employed the defendant at his cloth factory, informed the Bench of the circumstances of the case, the defendant having absented himself from work, and after getting drunk, created a disturbance in the village.- His wife stated that he had threatened to cut her throat and murder her children. – He was bound over in a sum of £10 to keep the peace for three months, and was ordered to pay the costs of the case. 3s. 6d.

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## A TRUE DREAM

Mr Coroner Sylvester held an inquest in Tuesday afternoon, at the New Inn, Corton, near Warminster, on the body of Joseph Coombes, 74 years of age, a weaver employed at the Upton Lovell Cloth Factory, who was drowned in the river Wylye on Sunday night. The deceased was with several friends at the New Inn on Sunday evening, and left there about nine o'clock. He was urged to wait for them, but he refused, stating that he wished to get home before it was late, and that instead of taking the shorter cut, where there were dangerous ditches, he intended going around the road. He also told them that a night or two previously he had dreamt that he would be drowned, and this seemed to make him anxious to start off before the usual time. The next morning his body was found in the river. Half way on his road home there is an exposed part of the river, and it is believed that in the darkness he walked straight into the water. A verdict of "Accidentally drowned" was returned.

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