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Acknowledgement: The index to the Reports of Inquests, 1796-1824 was originally compiled by staff from the former Archives Office of NSW. This updated version of the index has been prepared with the assistance of Mr Malcolm Sainty (Biographical Database of Australia).

About the Index

The index records:

Inquest number, name, date, location, item number e.g. [2/8288], page and Reel number.

Note: the remarks column states whether the person identified in the index is the deceased or is appearing as a witness at the inquest. There are over 800 entries to search.

Records used to compile this index

This index was compiled from:

NRS 5607 Judge Advocate's Office; Reports of coroners' inquests 1796-Apr 1824 [2/8286-89 Reels 2232-2233]

Reports from coroners on inquests held throughout the colony, including a few held in Van Diemen's Land. The deaths were mostly caused by drowning, apoplexy or a "Visitation of God". There are also occasional murders, thieves killed in the course of a robbery and spearings by Aboriginal people (mostly in the Bathurst district).

For other records concerning inquests during this time period see the Index to the Colonial Secretary Papers 1788-1825.

<http://www.records.nsw.gov.au/state-archives/indexes-online/court-records/>

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