

12<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1865.

PROCEEDINGS of INQUEST  
held upon the body of

Geo. Wigan  
at  
Dunmurry

Received at the Crown Law Offices,  
13 Sept. 1865.

Geo. Wigan  
Coroner.



# PROCEEDINGS BEFORE CORONERS.

[No. 64.  
[Stereo.]

## INQUISITION.

*Winn* } *Dunolly District*  
TO WIT.

AN Inquisition for our Sovereign Lady Queen Victoria, taken at *Haynes Municipal Hotel, Dunolly* in the *district* of *Dunolly* aforesaid, the *fourth* day of *September* A.D. 186 *5*, in the *twenty eighth* year of the Reign of our said Lady the Queen, before me

\* City, Town, County, or District, as the case may be.

*George Wogan* Gentleman, a Coroner of our Lady the Queen for the \* *District* of *Dunolly* aforesaid, upon the view of the body of *George Wogan* then

Jurors' Christian and Surname and there lying dead, upon the oaths of † in full.

*William Kier*  
*William Edwards*  
*Thomas Dyer*  
*Robert Cunningham*  
*Hugh Kennedy*  
*Charles Rogers*  
*Henry Wager*  
*John Diamond*  
*George Kennedy*  
*George Simpson*  
*Richard Lyster*  
*Henry Don*

good and lawful men of *Dunolly* in the said *district* who being duly sworn and charged to inquire, upon the part of our Lady the Queen, when, where, how, and by what means the said *George Wogan* came

† His or her.  
§ Here state cause of death, if known; if unknown, doubtful, or no evidence, state the fact accordingly, using the words of the Verdict of the Jury.  
It is desirable that the Jury should find expressly, whether there are or are not marks of external violence on the body of deceased.

by † his death, do say upon their oath that § *The deceased George Wogan died at Dunolly on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September A.D. 1865 of disease of the lungs.*



In witness whereof as well the aforesaid Coroner as the Jurors aforesaid, have to this Inquisition put their hands and seals, on the day and year, and at the place above mentioned.

*Wm. J. M.*

Coroner.

\* Here let each Juror sign his own name, or make his own mark, and affix or acknowledge his seal.

*William Veze*

*William Edwards*

*Thomas Byer*

*J. Cunningham*

*Hugh Kennedy*

*Charles Rejester*

*Denny Wager*

*John Leonard*

*George Stephen*

*George Sampson*

*Nathan Taylor*

*He*





## CORONER'S INQUEST.

## DEPOSITION OF WITNESS.

*Victim*  
To Wit.

*Dunolly District*

THE Examination of\* *Peter Payne and*  
*Walter Charles Reim*

\* All names of Witnesses.

of *Dunolly* taken on oath this *12th*  
day of *September* A.D. 1865, at *Dunolly*

† City, Town, District, or County,  
as the case may be.

before the undersigned, a Coroner in the said† *District*

The Deponent *Peter Payne*

on his oath saith as follows:

*I am a Publican and live*  
*at Dunolly. I knew the deceased George*  
*Payne who has been living at my house*  
*for the last five months. Deceased was*  
*a Comedian. He was a married man but*  
*without family. Deceased was a native*  
*of London in England. Deceased has*  
*not been in good health since he came*  
*to live with me and has appeared to fail*  
*gradually. — Deceased would not go*  
*to the Hospital but doctored himself*  
*taking medicines which he got of*  
*the Chemist. — I believe it was Col-*  
*icoid which he chiefly took*

*Continued*



Yesterday noticed Decourd appeared  
better worse and insisted on calling  
in Dr. Poir. - Decourd had a  
great objection to see a medical  
man. Dr. Poir came to see Decourd  
between two and three o'clock yesterday  
afternoon the 11<sup>th</sup> Inst. Decourd  
recognized Dr. Poir in his arrival  
but died in about twenty minutes  
after without a struggle -  
Decourd <sup>did</sup> ~~not~~ <sup>keep</sup> his bed  
until yesterday. Decourd always  
had a cough since he has been here  
and complained of a difficulty of  
breathing. Decourd appeared to be  
inclined to drink when he came here  
but has been abstemious for the last  
six weeks. Decourd has admitted  
to me having led a dissipated life.

Decourd  
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Accused is thirty seven years old. -  
It is the body of George Pigeon the son of the same.  
Peter Freyre



In Pen and Sworn before me this  
12<sup>th</sup> day of September A.D. 1868  
at Newbury

Amos A. Phelps

Deputy



After Charles Rice being sworn in his  
oath with I am a legally qualified  
medical practitioner and reside  
at Danbury. I was called to see  
the deceased George Bryan yesterday  
the 11<sup>th</sup> instant <sup>between</sup> ~~about~~ two and  
three o'clock in the afternoon —  
I found deceased in a state of collapse  
Deceased spoke to and recognised  
me but died in a few minutes after  
my arrival. I had not previously  
seen deceased. I saw this day  
made a post mortem examination  
of the body of deceased. There was  
no external marks of violence.  
The body was much emaciated.  
I found the liver of deceased very  
much enlarged and presented

That  
to



that natural appearance usual with  
intemperate persons. Both of the lungs  
were much diseased and appeared  
to have long been so. There was  
a quantity of water in the pericardium.  
I think the deceased died from disease  
of the lungs. I found nothing in the  
stomach of deceased but a little food.  
It presented the natural appearance.  
There was quite sufficient cause for death  
in the state of the lungs. — I think  
no medical attendance could have  
saved deceased.

Walter Charles Pierce



Taken and sworn before me the  
12<sup>th</sup> day of September A.D. 1868 }  
at Newby

Myself

John



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at  
Dunwoody

to the house of

Mary Magan

Westall  
Dorcas