

John Joynt

1861 census, 3 Lower Field Place, Carisbrooke

<i>John Joynt</i>	<i>Head</i>	<i>56</i>	<i>Pensioner from Chelsea & from Convict department Civil Service</i>	<i>Ireland</i>
Mary Joynt	Wife	51		Ireland
John Joynt	Son	23	Tailor	Burnley, Lancashire
Charlotte Joynt	Daughter	22		Ireland
Martha Joynt	Daughter	17		Northwood, Hampshire
Dudley Joynt	Son	13	Scholar	Northwood, Hampshire

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NEWPORT.

SUICIDE.- On Monday last an inquest was held by F. Blake, esq., coroner, at the Bedford-arms, Carisbrooke-road, on the body of a pensioner who resided in Upper Field-place, by the name of John Joynt, aged 63, who hung himself in his back room about 9 o'clock on the previous evening. The examination of various witnesses occupied upwards of three hours, the substance of which is as follows. It appeared that some threatening language (from some cause) had been used by deceased towards his wife, Mary Joynt, in consequence of which she went into the town and obtained a summons against her husband, which was served upon him the same evening. They afterwards met at the next house to where they lived, and where the wife promised to withdraw the summons on Monday morning, and deceased left and went to his house, leaving his wife and son at Mrs. Fry's. Upon their returning home, the wife went up stairs, as they lived separately, and the son (a child of 16) went into the back room, a kitchen, where, by a small glimmer of light from a candle burning on a box on the floor, he saw a heap of something lying under a hook that was in the wall, and upon a closer examination saw it was his father, and that he had a small cord round his neck suspended from the hook. He was in a sitting position, leaning against the wall. He took his knife from his pocket and cut the cord. The deceased was then warm, but quite dead. Neighbours were called in, and Dr. Wilkins was sent for, who did all in his power to produce animation, but without effect. The jury, after some deliberation, returned a verdict "That he died by his own hand, but there was no evidence as to the state of mind he was in when he committed the act. "

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