Weekly Raleigh Register Wake, North Carolina 16 JUL 1829

A correspondent in Randolph, informs us that a Coroner's inquest was held on the 27th ultimo [27 JUN 1829], over the body of a man found dead in the Dutch Meeting House in that county, who, as it appeared from his papers, was from Wake, and whose name wad **TITUS JENNINGS TURNER**. The verdict of the Jury was, that he died a natural death.

We were well acquainted with the deceased, (and we have seldom known a more extraordinary character. He was an active soldier of the Revolution, the events of which he could detail with such accuracy and feeling as to render them doubly interesting. He was nearly or quite 90 years of age, a man of temperate and correct habits, of inoffensive deportment and a considerable politician. He possessed a strong mind and retentive memory, and was exceedingly fond of reading rare or abstruse works. We have known him to sit hours together, poring over some musty work of Divinity or Law (his favourite branches of Science,) and scarcely ever withdraw his attention for a moment, until the declining sun betokened the approach of night. He was poor, and never having had any great relish for work, was supported pretty much by visiting from house to house, in the part of the county where he had always lived; circulating the "newest news" and occasionally instructing the children in their first rudiments for leaning.

Newspaper, NC, Wake, Titus Jennings Turner

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