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DEATH OF SWANMORE RESIDENT

We have a record the death at Wilton Grange, Swanmore, on July 21st, of Lt. Col. **Henry Coleridge DAWSON** (Army Pay Dept.) who expired, aged 77. The announcement was received with much regret by the congregation of St. Michael's amongst whom Col. DAWSON and Mrs DAWSON was well-known and respected. The "Parish Magazine" writes concerning this gentleman: "Lieut.-Col. DAWSON represented a fine type of English gentleman. To know him was to hold him in great esteem for his kindliness and charm. To enjoy his hospitality and hear his tales of the sea and an experience that we shall not forget. In addition to long Army service Col. DAWSON had been a midshipman in the Royal Navy in the old sailing days. He was a loyal and generous son of Holy Church, and never while health permitted was his place at worship found empty. It was his joy to do what he could, and the choir are indebted for the way in which he transformed their old service books into new-bookbinding being one of the Colonel's hobbies. The church has lost a true and revered friend, who will continue to help us still by his prayers in the high place."

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