



Trowbridge: Inquest of Elizabeth Ferris

Thursday 22nd August 1844

Shocking Accident - **Mr Sylvester** held an inquest a few days since, at Trowbridge, on the body of a poor woman about 53 years of age, named **Elizabeth Ferris**, who it appears had been to Messrs. **Stancomb and Wilkins'** factory, to fetch a basket belonging to her son, who worked there, and was stooping down near a revolving shaft, when her clothes became entangled and her body was carried with velocity round the wheel. Her head coming in contact with the wall of the building and a wooden chest. Death followed almost instantaneously.

A verdict was returned of accidentally killed.