



CORONERS INQUESTS



Widow Hannah Burchall

We hear from Wroughton, in this county, that on Tuesday last the Widow Burchall, of that place, fell into the fire in a fit (as is supposed) and was unhappily burnt to death; Wednesday the Coroner's inquest sat on the body, and brought in the verdict - Accidental Death.

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OPC Note:-

A Coroners Bill was raised by William Clare, Coroner based at Devizes in the sum of £1 13s 6d. for attending at Wroughton 18 miles away, on the body of Hannah Burchell who on April 9th, fell into a fire in her apartment and, no one being present to assist her, was suffocated and burnt to death.

This Bill was allowed at the Marlborough Quarter Sessions on 9th October 1771.