



Coroners Bills

1752-1796

Broad Hinton

County coroners were introduced in England in around 1194 once established other boroughs and liberties sought the right to have their own coroner. Often in Medieval times the coroner also assumed the role of the sheriff and his duties weren't limited to holding inquests on dead bodies although almost a full time post they were unpaid for the duties apart from those that were deemed murder of manslaughter when they would receive 13s. 4d. From the 24th June 1752 a law was passed allowing the coroner to claim £1 for every inquest they attended not held in a gaol and also to claim 9d per mile travel allowance from the place of residence. Inquests held in any gaol were performed at a rate totalling no more than £1. These costs were to be paid from the county rates. In cases of homicide the coroner also received the former fee of 13s. 4d. The coroners submitted their bills at the quarter session sittings for approval.

Year	Date	Surname	Given Names	Coroner		Details of Inquest	Place of Inquest	No. of Miles Travelled	Coroners Bill			Notes
				Surname	Given Names				£	s	d	
1784	14-Aug	Buss	Francis	Clare	William	Found dead in his house; no marks of violence	Broad Hinton	14	1	10	6	
1774	2/11	Greenman	Mary	Clare	William	In a fit of delirium fell into the hot ashes of a fire, and no one being present, died in about 10 hours; Accidental death	Broad Hinton	13	1	9	9	
1759	24-Sep	Hayward	Richard	Clare	John	Killed by a waggon running over his head going down Hackpen Hill	Broad Hinton	14	1	10	6	
1779	01-Aug	Hunt	Edward	Clare	William	A young lad; playing in the road, fell under the wheels of a waggon and was killed	Broad Hinton	14	1	10	6	
1782	18-	Marsh	Elizabeth	Clare	William	Found dead in a lane; No marks of violence;	Broad	15	1	11	3	

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1772	24-Mar	Neate	William	Clare	William	Unfortunately ran against a knife held by his schoolfellow, Richard Bradford, and died immediately	Broad Hinton	15	1	11	3	
1785	18-Jun	Pithouse	Henry	Clare	William	Found dead in his house	Broad Hinton	15	1	11	3	
1788	14-May	Smith	John	Clare	William	Trying to stop horses running away with a waggon, was thrown to the ground, and its wheels passing over him, was killed nearly on the spot	Broad Hinton	15	1	11	3	