



# CORONERS INQUESTS



## William Hale

An inquest was held on Monday, before Mr. Sylvester Browne, touching the death of William Hale, a navy, who died in the hospital on Saturday morning from injuries received on the new line of railway at Alderton, on Friday afternoon. Charles Stiles, engine driver of the steam navy, working at Alderton, said that about 3.30 on Friday afternoon, whilst deceased was engaged in pulling muck off the batter for the steam navy to pick up with the bucket, the chain suddenly snapped. One of the large links flew off in two and hit him, and the bucket dropped. Frederick Faulks, wheelman of the steam navy, said the chain broke and flew, hitting deceased in the abdomen; he was standing some distance away. Dr. C. W. Pitt, of Malmesbury, said the immediate cause of death was shock and severe hemorrhage. A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned.

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