

Anne Jourdan - Murder of Her Female Child

A few days since a barbarous murder was committed by one Anne Jordan, of Purton, in Wilts, upon the body of a child of which she was delivered. It was discovered by two men, who, on hearing the cry of the infant, burst into the Room, and found the child bleeding on the floor, with its tongue pulled out, one jaw and both arms broke, and the whole body very much bruised.

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On Tuesday was brought to our county gaol of which she was committed by the coroner, whose inquest brought in their verdict Wilful Murder, Anne Jourdan, of the parish of Purton, near Cricklade in this county, for the murder of her Female Bastard child born the? of May last.

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At the Assizes at Salisbury last week, Anne Jourdan, for the murder of her bastard child, and Isaac Field, for stealing a Mare, received Sentence of Death and on Friday last Anne Jourdan was executed.

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