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SEPTUAGENARIAN'S FALL

The death took place at the County Hospital on Wednesday of Mrs. **Annie MUIR**, aged 76, a widow, who lived with a son and a daughter at No. 1 Alma Cottages, Somerset-road, Elmfield. Deceased fell down in the house on Boxing-day and sustained a fractured thigh. An inquest will be held today (Saturday).

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SEPTUAGENARIAN'S DEATH FOLLOWING A FALL

The Deputy Coroner (Francis A. JOYCE, Esq.) held an inquest in the Primitive Methodist School on Saturday into the death of Mrs. **Annie MUIR**, aged 75, a widow, of No. 1 Alma-cottages, Elmfield, who died at the County Hospital on the previous Wednesday following a fall.-Inspector A. MORRISON represented the police.-

May Elizabeth MUIR, wife of Ernest James MUIR, identified the body as that of her mother-in-law, who had been living with her and her husband. In recent years deceased had not enjoyed good health, and as a result of strokes she had not been able to move about freely. At about 10.30am on December 23rd witness was working in the yard when she heard deceased cry out, and on going into the middle room she saw her huddled up on the floor close to the door leading to the front room. She called for assistance and the district nurse and Dr. T. SIM were sent for. The doctor advised that it was a case for hospital, but deceased did not want to go and it was not until Boxing-day that they finally persuaded her to consent. Deceased told her that she was going to sit on a chair when it slipped from under her and caused her to fall. She also told her that the chair had fallen over, and while on the floor she had put the chair upright again.

Bessie BRONWIN, wife of Wallace BRONWIN, of No. 2 Alma-cottages, stated that on receiving a call from the previous witness she went into her neighbour's and found deceased lying on the floor with her left leg doubled up underneath her. They lifted her on to a chair and found she was in pain and sent for a nurse and a doctor. Several years ago deceased had a stroke and was not very strong on her legs. Dr. W. V. D. BOLT, house surgeon at the County Hospital, said that when admitted deceased was suffering from a

fracture of the neck of the left thigh. Her general condition was very poor and she died from hypostatic-pneumonia accelerated by the fractured thigh.-

The Coroner said that it was an accident that frequently occurred to aged persons, and deceased was in an enfeebled state of health at the time so that her chance of recovery was practically nil. No one was to blame. His verdict was that deceased died from hypostatic pneumonia accelerated by a fractured thigh following an accidental fall.

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