

PART VI.

OF THE CORONER'S DUTIES OUTSIDE OF INQUESTS IN
MATTERS OF DEATH

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The Coroner seeks, within the limits of his jurisdiction, the origin of any fire brought to his notice under oath as the result of a crime, or at least as having taken place under circumstances qualified to give rise to a suspicion of crime.

The Coroner does not make such inquests in the Cities of Montreal and Quebec, nor in the Suburbs of Quebec, nor in the Town of Levis.

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The Inquest is held in the place nearest to the burned building, or in any place of the district where the interests of justice are best served.

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The inquest is held by the Coroner sitting alone or with a jury.

It is obligatory to appoint a jury when the demand is made in writing by the agent of an Insurance Company or by three householders in the neighborhood of the fire. The jury should be chosen from householders in the environs of the scene of the fire.

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Once the Coroner has been requested according to law to hold an inquest in a case of fire,

1. He fixes the place and time where the inquest will be held,
2. He makes sure of the possession, in the state in which they were found, of the places burned, and of objects of a nature to throw light on the cause of the fire.