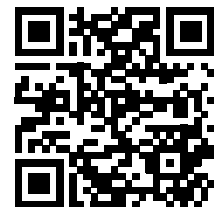


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Accusations of Witchcraft and Fear in England



The witch trials in _____ were a dark chapter in history. They began in the 15th century and continued until the late 17th century. Many _____ were accused of practicing witchcraft. These accusations often came from personal vendettas or _____ of the unknown. Women were the primary targets, but some men were also accused. The accused were often poor or elderly, making them easy targets.

The _____ played a significant role in promoting the fear of witches. They believed that witches were in league with the _____. This belief led to widespread panic and hysteria. The accused witches were thought to cause _____, crop failure, and other misfortunes. The fear of witches led to the establishment of witch-hunting _____. These laws allowed for the trial and execution of accused witches.

The process of _____ usually started with a neighbor or a relative. They would claim that the accused had cursed them or caused harm through _____. The accused were then arrested and put on trial. The trials were often unfair and based on superstition. _____ was commonly used to extract confessions from the accused.

If found guilty, the accused _____ were usually executed. The most common method of execution was hanging. In some cases, they were burned at the _____. The witch trials left a lasting impact on society. They highlighted the dangers of superstition and mass _____. Over time, rational thought and scientific reasoning began to replace fear and ignorance.

The end of the _____ came with the advancement of science and the enlightenment. People began to question the validity of witchcraft _____. The government eventually put an end to the trials. The last known execution for _____ in England took place in 1684. The witch trials serve as a reminder of the importance of _____ and rationality in society.

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