



## Holt Burglary

On Sunday evening last, a most daring act of burglary was committed in the house occupied by John Sheppard, who is in the employ of Mr. H. Chapman at Oxenleaze Farm. It appears the thieves, after procuring a ladder from the rick yard, effected an entrance through one of the upper windows, during the absence of Sheppard and his family who were gone to chapel. Four or five locks were forced open, and the whole place completely ransacked over, though nothing of consequence was taken away, money, no doubt being the only object of plunder; fortunately the poor man had the whole of his money in his pocket with him, with the exception of about 2s., the savings of one of his children, which was all the booty the thieves obtained.

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