

Crime Reports

Salisbury *1850-1899*



1866

Stealing Coke. Thomas Bungay, a clerk in the employ of the Gas Company, was brought before Mr. Gilbert, on Thursday, charged with having stolen a sack of coke. The prisoner was sent to deliver 12 sacks to Messrs Wilton, of the Canal, but Police-constable Waters noticed that he had an empty sack with him, and that, in fact, he only delivered 11 sacks to Messrs. Wilton. Upon inquiry the police ascertained that he had sold a sack on the way. He was remanded until Monday next. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal, 29 December 1866**

1870

An Auctioneer charged with Robbery. John James Bennett (on bail), formerly an auctioneer and valuer in Salisbury, was indicted at the City Sessions on Monday, for stealing a tenon saw, the property of George Cheverton, in the month of December last. The facts of the case were stated in our paper at the time. The jury found him not guilty, and the verdict was received with applause. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette, 21 July 1870**

1872

Salisbury Petty Sessions - Monday. Before the Mayor (Mr. J. Read), Mr. Hussey and Mr. Stokes. **Inciting to a Breach of the Peace.** Jesse Dear was charged with inciting to a breach of the peace by using threatening abusive language towards Mr. John Mist, builder, Milford Hill. The complainant stated that on the 11th instant the defendant was making a noise outside his (complainant's) house, and on telling him to go away he refused, used threatening language, and challenged complainant to strike him. The defendant was ordered to enter into his own recognisances in the sum of £5 and costs to keep the peace for six months. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal and General Advertiser, 21 December 1872**

Throwing Missile. A lad named Charles Garrett was charged, before the Mayor and Mr. Ewor, with discharging shot from a catapult, and thereby and thereby breaking a gas lamp in Salt Lane. Superintendent White informed the magistrates that he received daily complaints from persons residing in various parts of the city, regarding the nuisance of stone throwing, which at present prevailed to a large extent. The magistrates, in consideration that the boy had no father, mitigated the penalty to 2s. 6d. and costs. We are requested to state that any similar offender, if detected by the police, will be severely dealt with. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal and General Advertiser, 21 December 1872**

1874

Committed To The County Gaol, Devizes for the week ending July 7, 1874 Charles Marshall, and Susan Hayes, for two calendar months, for stealing a white goose, the property of William Henry Keene, at Salisbury. **The Wiltshire Independent, 9 July 1874**

1884

At the Salisbury City Petty sessions, on Thursday, before the mayor and Deputy-Inspector-General Read, Frederick Owen Goddard, of West Wellow, a cab driver, was summoned for having been drunk and incapable whilst in charge of a horse and cab in St. Ann Street, Salisbury, the previous evening. The case was proved by Police Constable Poole, and defendant fined 20s inclusive of costs. **Hampshire Advertiser, 31 May 1884**