

Shopkeeper's Weights Too Light

At a meeting of the Magistrates on Tuesday last at the Vine Inn in this city, Isaac Luffman, Isaac Prince, Joseph Aford, Mary Thompson, Richard Russell, Moses Hurst, Sarah Brown, Hugh Luffman, Henry Withers, William Light, Emery Widow, and William Butler, shopkeepers, of Whiteparish, were severally convicted of selling by short weights, and paid the penalty.

Mr. Russell, schoolmaster, one of the persons abovementioned, begs leave to add, he is very sorry for having two of his wife's weights too light; they are two lead weights, of three pounds and a half each, having the Salisbury arms stamped, and were some years since adjusted to the standard, (and so was every weight in his house) but by wear, those two were got half an ounce (exactly standing) each deficient; but he solemnly protests he did before verily think every weight in his house had been just and good, he being conscious of having never knowingly and willingly wronged any person living.

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