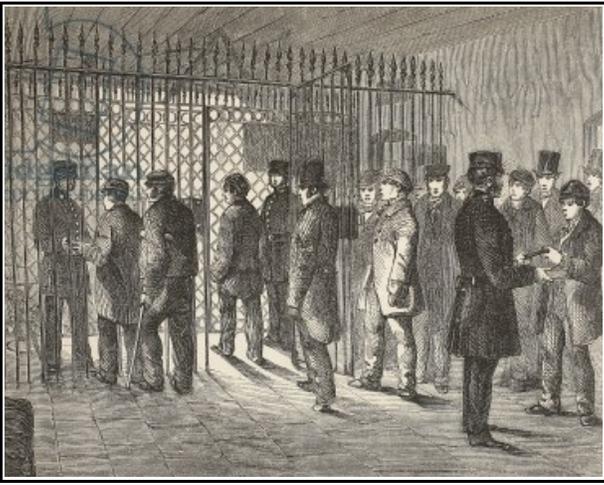


Crime and Punishment

Fisherton Anger



SALISBURY PETTY SESSIONS, Feb. 12 – John Wakefield alias Doling, was charged with having uttered two base sixpences, at the King's Head Tavern, on the 10th inst.; the Policeman who took him, stated that exertions were made by the prisoner's companions to rescue him, and that he handed something to them on his road to the watch-house. On searching him, two counterfeit sixpences were found on him, - also a cheque on the Hampshire Banking Company, for payment of £5 to Joseph Bayery, - signed "Richard North," and a draft on Messrs. Staples and Co., for £300, - signed "Thomas Wilkie," and dated 1790. Prisoner stated that he took the coin at Salisbury Market – that he obtained the draft for £300, rolled round a half-ounce of tobacco – and the cheque was given to him by Bayery to be changed. Bayery is now in Fisherton Gaol, on a charge of felony. Prisoner who was tried at Salisbury in 1834, for uttering base coin, and sentenced to two years imprisonment, was fully committed for trial at the Assizes.

Monday, Feb. 19 – Joseph Read of Fisherton, was charged with attempting to rescue John Wakefield alias Doling, who on the 12th inst., was committed to Fisherton Gaol, charged with uttering base coins. Barnes a policeman said, that when Wakefield was given into his custody, Read got between him and the prisoner and tried to keep the prisoner in the tap-room, and that when they got out into the street, he also tried to rescue him, another policeman who was called to the assistance of Barnes, not being able to corroborate this account, and Joshua Morris, who saw the transaction, having stated that he did not see Read interfere, - he was discharged.

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