

Crime and Punishment

Former Servant Caught in Possession of Stolen Items

We mention in our last that some thieves had entered the premises of the Marquis of Lansdown, at Bowood, and stolen divers articles. We have now the satisfaction of adding that Thomas Torrens (a few years ago an under-servant in the family) has been committed by J Fuller, Esq and the Rev W L Bowles of Bremhill, magistrates for Wilts, to Fisherton Gaol for this burglary.

The circumstances which led to the apprehension of this man are singular. He was passing by the Council House at Bristol the day after the robbery, when he was accidentally remarked by a constable, who remembered him as having been lately discharged from Bristol gaol; his appearance and bundle excited suspicion, he was taken into custody, and the bundle found to contain the identical articles (excepting the watch) which had been stolen from Bowood.

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