



Crime Reports

Westbury 1800-1849

1828

At Wilts Sessions, held at Salisbury, before the Earl of Radnor, chairman, and a numerous bench of magistrates, the following prisoners were tried, and sentenced as follows: Transportation - Fourteen years: Samuel Freestone, aged 20, for stealing 3 worsted stockings from a hedge at Westbury. **Bath Chronicle and Western Gazette, 24 April 1828**

1837

Wilts Easter Sessions. James Barnes was convicted of stealing the skin of a horse, the property of Mr. E. Chapman of Seend, and sentenced to one months imprisonment (solitary). It appeared that Mr Chapman had a favourite horse for six years, and that on its dying, he caused it to be buried in a field near his house; that the skin was subsequently stolen, and that the prisoner had offered it for sale to Mr. Singer of Westbury. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette, Thursday, 6 April 1837**

1839

Committed to the New Prison Devizes. William Smith, for one month, for vagrancy at Westbury. **Wiltshire Independent, 28 November 1839**

1841

Committed to the New Prison Devizes Edward Walter of Westbury, and William Pourden of Patney, for one month each, for destroying game in their respective parishes; Walter to find sureties for one year, or to be further imprisoned for six months. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette, 11 February 1841**

1843

Wilts Epiphany Sessions Alfred Greenland, charged with having stolen one fowl, the property of Thomas Henry Hele Phipps, esq, at Leighton House, Westbury. Guilty: 6 months imprisonment. **Wiltshire Independent, 12 January 1843**

Committed to Fisherton Gaol Benjamin Harper, James Keates, Lewis Bailey, and James Yorkney, for one month each, for refusing to work in the Westbury Union workhouse. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal, 4 February 1843**

1846

Committed to The New Prison, Devizes. Thomas Webb, for one month, for having assaulted and beat John Cleverly at Westbury. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette, 19 March 1846**

For Trial. Edward Grist, charged with having assaulted William Johnstone at Westbury. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette, 19 March 1846**

Committed to The New Prison, Devizes. Andrew Atkins, for three months, for stealing a quantity of apples, the property of James Bourne at Westbury. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette, 1 October 1846**

Committed to The New Prison, Devizes. For Trial Louisa Gawen charged with having assaulted James Burges, constable at Westbury . **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette, 20 May 1847**