

ABINGDON, APRIL 23.

On Tuesday last Messrs. Wm. Lanham and James Faulkner were elected Churchwardens of St. Helen's, and Mr. Robert Arkell Churchwarden of St. Nicholas, for the ensuing year.

BOROUGH SESSIONS.—The general Quarter Sessions of the peace for this borough were held at the Guildhall, on Wednesday last, before H. J. Shepherd, Esq. Q. C. Recorder, the Mayor, and other magistrates, when the following prisoners took their trials:—Wm. Lloyd, charged with having stolen on the 9th of March last, a deal board and part of an oak door sill, the property of G. B. Morland, Esq., was found guilty, and sentenced to six months imprisonment and hard labour.—Margaret Stutely, aged 20, for stealing two loaves of bread from Mr. R. Gearing, baker, on the 1st Feb. last. It appeared that the prisoner had only been out of prison three weeks at the time she committed the offence, having undergone six months imprisonment for a similar offence committed on the prosecutor's premises; in consequence of which the Court sentenced her to be transported for seven years.—Frederick Parker, aged 17, was indicted for stealing half an ounce of tobacco on the 4th of March last, the property of his master, Mr. George Cozens Latham, grocer. Guilty; three months imprisonment and hard labour.—George Simpson, aged 27, charged with having on the 13th March last stolen from his masters, Messrs. J. and R. Faulkner, bakers, half a pound of dough. The prisoner, in his defence, stated that he took the dough for the purpose of giving to his little boy who was with him, but without any intention of robbing his masters. Several witnesses were called, who gave the prisoner a good character. The learned Recorder having briefly summed up the evidence, the Jury returned a verdict that the prisoner took the dough, but not with a felonious intent! which being considered by the Court as amounting to an acquittal, the prisoner, after being admonished as to his future conduct, was discharged. [The verdict of this sapient Abingdon Jury reminds us of the verdict of a Cornish Jury, who, when a man was put on his trial for slaying his wife, having been provoked by her garrulity to give her an unlucky blow, which caused her death, returned their verdict, "saved her right!" which even the persuasive powers of the Judge had no effect in inducing them to alter, and the prisoner was consequently acquitted.]—Elizabeth Simpson, aged 63, was convicted of stealing a piece of bacon, from the shop of Mr. Richardson, grocer, and was sentenced to six months imprisonment and hard labour.

SHEEP STEALING.—On Monday night last a fat wether sheep, belonging to Mr. John Mundy, of Culham, was slaughtered by some scoundrels in one of his fields not far from his dwelling house, and the carcass taken away; the skin and entrails were discovered the following morning in the river Thames adjoining. Mr. Mundy has offered a reward of ten guineas on conviction of the offenders. Not many days before, the same gentleman had a fine lamb stolen from his fold.

At our market on Monday last old Wheat sold per qr. from 72s. to 78s.; new, 64s. to 74s.; Beans, 40s. to 50s.; Peas, 44s. to 46s.; Barley, 32s. to 44s.; Oats, 24s. to 35s.; Flour, per sack, 50s. to 58s.; Bread, 4lb. loaf, 9d.

HENLEY, APRIL 24.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The first show for the season was held in the Town Hall, on Tuesday, and the day being propitious there was a more than usual quantum of visitors; the flowers and flowering shrubs were of great beauty and variety, and the collection of roses from Messrs. Sutton's, of Reading, were much admired and quickly disposed of; the cottagers' table was excellent as usual. The following are the awards:—

FIRST TABLE.

- Mrs. Atkyns Wright—Pine, cactus, apples, and French beans.
- C. S. Murray, Esq. Damesfield—Collection of plants, roses, tropeolans, primroses, azaleas, greenhouse plants, bouquets, camellias, strawberries, French beans, and cucumbers.
- Mr. Allday, Sonning—Auriculas, apples (kitchen and dessert), cucumbers, polyanthus, sea kale, potatoes, and seedling polyanthus.
- Lord Camoys, Stonor Park—Potatoes and rhubarb.
- Mr. Stubbs, Henley—Hyacinths.
- Mr. Batten, Hurst—Pansies and anemones.
- Lady Morris, Marlow—Wall flowers, mushrooms, and radishes.
- W. P. Freeman, Esq. Fawley Court—Amaryllis hybrida.
- Mr. Lynn, Henley—Auriculas, camellias in collection, and *Azurea grandiflora*.
- Rev. J. Robberts, Greys—Mimulus in varieties.

SECOND TABLE.

- Mr. Hickman—Radishes.
- Mr. Stubbs—Hyacinths, auriculas, and brocoli.
- Mr. Elsee—Collection of greenhouse plants.
- Miss E. Ovey—Bouquets, geraniums, and pansies.
- Mr. Irving—Sea kale and rhubarb.
- Mr. Benwell—Polyanthus, narcissus, anemones, and apples.

WATLINGTON, APRIL 23.

MARKET.—Our market was but thinly attended on Saturday, and there was a depreciation in prices.

INQUESTS BEFORE MR. COOKE.—On the 18th instant, at Watlington, on view of the body of Charles Wood, aged five years. He was playing near the Mill Brook, a short distance from the iron foundry, and fell into the water. The current forced him under an arch, from whence he was soon extricated in a lifeless state. Verdict, *accidental death*.—On the 19th instant, at Nettledon, on view of the body of Francis Wood Phillips, aged 18. This youth had been to the town pond with a water barrel to fill with water. On his return home he overturned the carriage, and the tub fell upon him; in consequence of which he received two fractures, one on the left side of his body and the other on his head, and died instantly. Verdict, *accidental death*.—On the 20th instant, at Park Corner, in the parish of Swincombe, on view of the body of Ann Shrimpton, aged 72. The deceased was living in a miserable looking cottage, and was suddenly taken ill on the 17th, and died soon afterwards. Verdict, *died by the visitation of God*.—And on the 21st instant, an inquest was held at Thame, on view of the body of Henry Towersey, aged 10 months; it appeared that a coffee pot, standing upon a trivet before the fire, was upset, and the boiling coffee spilt on the left side of his body, by which he was so seriously burnt that he died soon afterwards. Verdict, *accidental death*.

PETTY SESSIONS.—At the Town Hall, on Saturday last, (before John Fane, Wm. Lowndes Stone, Esqrs., Revds. E. C. Keene, and W. A. Musgrove,) John Howton was convicted in the penalty of 5s. and costs, for being found drunk and disorderly on the 17th March last, between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock.—Wm. Town, convicted in the full penalty of 40s. and costs, for trespass in pursuit of game, in the parish of Watlington, on the 10th inst.—Thomas Nethercote, Charles Step, John Bayle, R. Hinton, and W. Church, were severally convicted of an assault on Thomas Smith, on Sunday the 12th instant, and ordered to pay between them on the following Monday morning the sum of 1l. 4s. 6d. or endure one calendar month, with hard labour, at the house of correction.—Thomas Stalford, of Stokenchurch, convicted in the penalty of 5s. and costs, for being found drunk and disorderly on the 15th instant.—Anne Harding, of Bensington, committed for one month to the house of correction, under the Vagrant Act, for leaving her children chargeable to that parish.

CONVICTION ON MONDAY.—Solomon White, for trial at the Sessions, on charge of stealing a mattock, the property of the Stokenchurch Surveyors; also a second commitment for obtaining bread, cheese, tobacco, and about 11 quarts of beer, under false pretences, from Mr. Robert Dandridge, landlord of the Red Lion Inn, Stokenchurch.

On the same day John Collins was committed for trial at the Assizes, by the Rev. E. C. Keene, on a charge of stealing bacon, the property of Mr. James Garlick, schoolmaster, Ewelme, about 40lbs. of which were found secreted in his house.

On the same day Enoch Woodbridge was committed for trial to the Sessions, by John Fane, Esq., on a charge of stealing a quantity of bran, pollard, and hay, the property of his master, Mr. Henry Young, of Kinsey Mill.—On the same day, by the same Magistrate, Joseph Langley, John Coleshill, and Samuel Freeth, were convicted in the penalty of 20s. and costs, for cutting and damaging underwood, the property of Thomas Dean, of Nuffield, and in default of payment Langley was sentenced to two months' imprisonment, with hard labour; the other parties to one month.

READING, APRIL 23.

BIRTHS.—April 18, the Lady of the Rev. T. A. Houlton, of a daughter, still born.

Married, on the 5th instant, Mr. William Duffield, of Abingdon, to Miss Bennet Elizabeth Haysey, of this town.

DIED.—April 15, aged 17 years, Frederick Willatts, of London-street.—April 10, Miss Charlotte Stokes, of the Market Place, Reading.—April 17, Mr. Adey, of London-street, aged 67 years.—April 18, Mrs. Sarah Joyce, of Castle-street, aged 62 years.

We are happy to inform our readers that Mr. Rhynehart, the conductor, whose serious accident we reported last week, is rapidly recovering under the able management of the house surgeons of the Royal Berkshire Hospital.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.—The receipts of the Reading station for the week ending the 18th of April amount, we are informed, to nearly the sum of 700l.

On Monday last his Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge came to Reading by the Great Western Railway, on his route to Strathfieldsaye, the seat of the Duke of Wellington. His Royal Highness was met at the Paddington station by C. A. Saunders, Esq. Secretary, Seymour Clarke, Esq. Chief Superintendent, and other officers of the establishment. A special train was formed for the conveyance of his Royal Highness, carriages, and suite, to Reading, where he was received with every mark of respect by F. Sadgrove, Esq. who had the honour of conversing with his Royal Highness for upwards of a quarter of an hour. The Duke expressed himself highly pleased with the roominess of the station, the various conveniences of the several offices, the beauty of the situation, and other objects of interest pointed out to him by Mr. Sadgrove; and, after fully satisfying his curiosity, the horses were put to, and the illustrious visitor proceeded at a rapid rate to the hospitable mansion of his noble friend.

It is with sincere regret that we have to announce the illness of one of our Representatives, Charles Fyfe Palmer, Esq. who is labouring under a severe attack of erysipelas. From his great age, his friends feel considerable alarm as to the termination of his indisposition, as he is upwards of 70 years old.

A singular occurrence took place at Caversham, on Good Friday. Early on that morning, as the journeyman of Mrs. Leach, baker, was making his cross buns, a stranger, who refused to give his name, knocked at the bake-house door, and asked permission to leave a carpet-bag, which was granted. From that time to the present it has not been called for; and, although it is directed to John Adams, Boar's Head, Reading, no such person is to be met with. It is now in the custody of the borough police, who, supposing it to be stolen, are using every endeavour to detect the thief, as well as to restore the lost property to the rightful owner.

POLICE REPORT.—Geo. Holmes was fined 5s. for being drunk and disorderly.—William Massam, charged with stealing 5s. 3d. the monies of Mr. Humphrey, his master, was remanded.—Thomas Withers, charged with stealing an ass, the property of Henry Foxley, remanded.—Wm. Jones, charged with having in his possession two pairs of trousers, supposed to be stolen, was remanded.—Daniel Morgan, charged with being drunk and disorderly, admonished and discharged.

CORN MARKET.—Wheat, from 50s. to 84s. 0d.; Barley, 35s. to 50s. 0d.; Oats, 20s. to 34s.; Beans, 35s. to 50s. 0d.; Peas, 38s. to 46s.

LODDON BRIDGE.—Beef, from 4s. 0d. to 5s. 0d.; Veal, 4s. 6d. to 5s. 6d.; Mutton, 4s. 10d. to 5s.; Lamb, 6s. 6d. to 7s. Very short supply indeed of Beef; plenty of Lamb and Mutton; Veal moderate.

PIG MARKET.—Fat Hogs, 9s.; Porkers, 9s. 6d. Store Pigs plentiful, dull sale, and cheaper.

Great Destruction of Sheep on the Western Railway.—On Saturday the 14th instant as several wagons loaded with sheep were coming by railway to London, the wheel of one of the carriages came off near Drayton, which caused two more to upset, and killed 39 sheep, besides very much injuring several others. The guard and the driver escaped with a few bruises. The Company, it is asserted, have refused to make any compensation to the farmers for the loss sustained, of whom Mr. Cox, of Mortimer, lost 12; and Mr. Layer, of Thatcham, Berks, 19!—*County Chronicle*.

FAIRS.—Monday next, Mortimer, Rugby.—Wednesday, Chip-ping-Norton, Hungerford.—Friday, Reading, Burnham, Marlow.—Saturday, Wantage.

BURFORD, APRIL 23.

On Monday last died, after a short illness, in his 57th year, Mr. Francis Wheatcroft, farmer, of Gawcombe, near Stow, leaving a large young family to bewail his death.

Although only a week before our fair, we had a considerable attendance at market last Saturday. Wheat commanded from 17l. 10s. to 19l. or somewhat more, a load; Barley, from 29s. to 42s.; and Oats, from 28s. to 36s. per quarter. Seeds are nearly at an end, and Spring Vetches are rather declining from their late high rate of 10s. to 11s. the bushel. We are happy to observe that every kind of growing crop looks remarkably well and promising. Barley sowing, as during all the season, is going on in a most auspicious manner, and will now soon be finished.

The lowness of the springs and water, after so much rain has fallen until within these few weeks, and especially at so early a period of the year, has attracted much notice from the observers of nature. A short time ago the earth was super-saturated with moisture, and within a month less water issued from it than we generally see in March or April. This remains to be accounted for by the geologist; and we trust that Dr. Buckland, or some other person eminent in that science, will take the trouble to explain the principle of this extraordinary circumstance. Has the evaporation from the earth's surface been unusually great, and the waters ascended instead of descended?

GLOUCESTER, APRIL 22.

Apprehension of Horse Stealers.—Much credit is due to the new police stationed at Wotton Underedge, and especially to J. B. H. Burland, Esq. Magistrate, and Mr. J. Bracey, Magistrates' clerk, for the judgment and persevering exertions made by them in inquiries which have led to the committal on Tuesday last, on three charges of horse stealing and robbery, of two very notorious characters, named *James Alaxander* and *William Hayward*, alias *Jones*, alias *Serdy*. One of the charges is for breaking into the stables of the Rev. J. Randolph, of Yate House, near Sodbury, and stealing therefrom carriage harness, saddles, bridles, and wearing apparel. These men have been lodged in our county gaol for trial at the next Assizes.

On Sunday last an inquest was held before John Cooke, Esq. coroner, at the Sailor's Return, at Sudbrook, on view of the body of Ann Burgess, wife of John Burgess, marble mason, of this city, who was found drowned in the Gloucester and Berkeley Canal, near Hempstead Bridge, on the preceding evening. She left her lodgings in Southgate-street, about half past seven o'clock on the Tuesday before, and nothing was heard of her till found in the Canal. In the absence of evidence to show how she came into the water, a verdict was returned of *found drowned*; but there is little doubt that the unhappy woman committed self-destruction.

HOP INTELLIGENCE.

Worcester, April 22.—There has been only twenty-one pockets of hops weighed at the public scales since our last, and those on market day. We have no alteration in prices, which from the scarcity of business cannot be quoted with accuracy; they may be called about the same as for the last month. The bine is said to be looking remarkably well in this plantation, and to have received little or no injury from the continued rains during the winter.

HEREFORDSHIRE HOPS.—A succession of warm, dry weather, is particularly serviceable to the plant at this season, and this we have had. The grounds have all been thrown down, and although unusually backward, vegetation is now making progress, and the hops promise well, the roots being perfectly sound and uninjured. The trade is extremely flat, the stocks on hand being still very considerable.

MAIDSTONE HOPS.—The fleas are numerous, and in some places eat the bines almost as fast as they shoot from the ground, eating through new stalks which have grown from two to three inches long. The frosty nights check the bines, and the warm days strengthen the fleas. Rain is much wanting to nourish the former and check the latter. We are informed that there are very few new hops remaining, and many old ones have been sold more advantageously than was expected.—*Kent Paper*.

MARRIAGES.

At Bath, Major-General Sir William Davy, of Tracy Park, Gloucestershire, to Sophia, eldest daughter of Rich. Fountayne Wilson, Esq. of Melton, Yorkshire.—Henry, eldest son of Geo. Shum Storey, Esq. of Ham Common, Surrey, to Emma, eldest daughter of the late R. C. Cooper, Esq. of Brighton.—Arthur Burrows, of Lincoln's Inn, youngest son of Dr. Burrows, of Upper Gower-street, to Frances Diana, youngest daughter of the late Major Bromley, of the Bombay army.—Edmund Lionel Wells, Esq. of the Middle Temple, to Mary Ann, eldest daughter of John Gallins, Esq. late of Stapleton Castle, Herefordshire.—At Strathfieldsaye Church, Edward Lloyd Edwards, Esq. only son of John Edwards, Esq. of Dolsercy, Merionethshire, to Georgiana, eldest daughter of G. E. Beauchamp, Esq. of the Priory, near Reading.—At St. Mary's Church, Bryanston-square, Skeffington Bristow, Esq. Lieutenant in the 25th Regiment, to Juliana, eldest daughter of the late Lieutenant-General Henry Raleigh Knight, of Portman-street.

DEATHS.

In Charles-street, Berkeley-square, Major-General Sir Alexander Dickson, G.C.B. Deputy Adjutant-General Royal Artillery, &c. aged 62.—Anne, wife of John Warburton, M.D. of Clifford-street, Bond-street, aged 40.—In Regent-street, Sarah, second and last surviving daughter of the late James Pearce, Esq. of Lydbrook, Gloucester.—At Liverpool, John Stewart, Esq. aged 78.—At Paris, Marianne Silvestra, eldest daughter of the Rev. John Coles, of Silchester, Hants.—At Goudhurst, Ralph Oakden, sen. Esq. aged 80.—At Seend, Wilts, Amelia, widow of J. Schomberg, Esq. Captain and Commissioner, R.N. aged 74.—At Manningford Bruce, near Pewsey, Wilts, aged 88, Catherine, relict of Mr. Francis Falkner, formerly willie merchant, of Bath, whom she survived 43 years.—At Bath, William Purlewent, Esq. an old inhabitant of Shepton Mallet, in his 90th year.—In his 71st year, at Thames Ditton, Surrey, Henry Strudwicke, Esq.—At Roehampton, Mrs. Northcote, wife of Henry Stafford Northcote, Esq.—At Boulogne-sur-Mer, Anne Rose, wife of Colonel W. L. Darling, aged 49.

IMPROMPTU,

ON READING AN ACCOUNT OF THE BOAT RACE, In the *Journal of the 18th instant*.

"When Greek meets Greek, then comes the tug of oar."
Oxford and Cambridge with each other vie,
Not in the fields of science deeply knowing,
But on the water show their rivalry,
Proving themselves most noble dabs at rowing.
First Oxford gains awhile, then Cambridge leads,
And 'tis a fact that may be worth discerning,
Tho' learned Doctors may not measure heads,
Both well compete with sculls, if not with learning.

Highworth.

E. T. D.

AT the Quarterly Court of the Governors of the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, holden on the 22d of April 1840, it was ordered, that a Special General Meeting of the Governors be holden in the Committee Room of this Infirmary, on Wednesday the 20th day of May, at Two o'clock, for the purpose of electing a PRESIDENT to fill the present vacancy in that department of the Institution.

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NOTICE.

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CHARLES H. WADLOW,

Littlelog, Oxford.

WILLIAM LATCHMORE, Mealman, Corn Dealer, and Seedsman, No. 1, Queen-street, begs to return his most sincere thanks to his numerous friends for their kind support during the long period of 24 years, and to inform them that he has declined business in favor of Mr. JOSEPH STEANE, whom he desires to recommend as his successor, April 25, 1840.

JOSEPH STEANE,

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