

Crime and Punishment

Hurdcott



A TROUBLESOME PRISONER

Mr Superintendent Wolfe applied for a remand on behalf of a man in custody, named Arnold Paddock, charged with stealing a bed and some blankets, the property of Mr Small, of Wilton. Mr Small had identified the missing goods, which were found in defendant's possession. Since the man has been in custody he has escaped twice from the police, who have on each occasion had to go through the rivers after him. He was ultimately captured in a barn at Hurdcott. The prisoner was remanded until this day (Saturday).

(Salisbury and Winchester Journal – Saturday 25 May, 1872)

(Note: Hurdcott, a Hamlet about 1 mile south-east of Baverstock, in the county of Wilts. There is also a Hurdcott located near Winterbourne Earls, approximately 4 miles north-east of Salisbury, Wiltshire. With some newspaper articles it cannot be determined which Hurdcott is being referred to.)