



Crime News - Theft

Bishopstone 1844

SINGULAR CIRCUMSTANCE

About two o'clock in the morning of the 9th instant, **Mr Cue**, a farmer of Bishopstone, was awoken by the barking of his dogs, and upon getting up, he captured a fellow named **John Giles**, with a sack on his back, containing a quantity of oats, peas, and barley, he had just stolen from the premises. It is somewhat singular, that at the very time that Giles was taken, another person was observed to run away from a different part of the premises, and being pursued he dropped a coat belonging to the prosecutor's son. This thief, however escaped. The singularity is, that the two thieves had no connexion whatever with each other; but had accidentally been of the same mind, namely, to rob Mr. Cue on the night in question.

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WILTS LENT ASSIZES

John Giles, for stealing oats and barley at Bishopstone – six months (imprisonment)

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