

Crime Reports

Bowerchalke 1800-1849

1818

Salisbury The business of our Assizes commenced on Monday last, before Mr Justice Abbot and Mr Justice Holroyd; the former presiding in the Crown Court, and the latter at Nisi Prius. The calendar of prisoners was very heavy, and their trials were not concluded till Thursday morning. The awful sentence of death was passed on the following prisoners, 17 in number: Cornelius Randall, for a burglary in the house of Robert Barnett, at Bower Chalk. Of the prisoners sentenced to death, all have been reprieved excepting William Gale, for sacrilege, who is to be executed on Tuesday the 24th instant. Salisbury and Winchester Journal, 14 March 1818

1832

Stephen Saunders, of Bowerchalke aged 78 was committed for the ensuing County Sessions, to take his trial for assaulting and beating his wife, Sibelia, and threatening to do her some grievous bodily harm, and for want of sureties. He was at the Hilary Sessions of 1827 for the like offence, and from his advanced age etc. was discharged. **Extract from The Salisbury Guardian, Saturday, October 06, 1832; Issue 481**