



Vagrant's Violent Conduct

Malmesbury Petty Sessions, January 10. (Before Thomas Luce, Esq)

James Stuart, habited like a sailor, but without shoes or stockings, and who describes himself to be from Greenock, North Britain, and to have been in the Portuguese service, was brought up this day in custody for vagrancy, and violent conduct.

Elizabeth Nicholls, of Brinkworth, deposed that he came to her house and demanded a shilling, and was so violent and abusive as to frighten her daughter into fits; he would not leave but by force, and then he set to and broke two squares of glass.

A policeman said he was also violent at the Station-House, and broke the handcuffs.

Fined £4 for breaking the windows, and for default, committed with hard labour for one month; and committed for one month afterwards for having been found begging.

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