



Stealing from Alderbury Union

County Petty Sessions-Tuesday-Before Viscount Folkestone (Chairman), Earl Nelson, Sir Edward Hulse Bart, Mr. W E Matcham, Mr. E Hinxman.

Stealing lead from the Alderbury Workhouse.

William Tryhorn, a young fellow, apparently able bodied and able to do work if he would be industrious, was charged with having stolen 64lbs. of lead, the property of the Alderbury Union at Britford. The prisoner had been an inmate of the workhouse for 2 or 3 months. On the morning of the 29th ult. Mr. Brownjohn the master of the house, examined a pig-sty that had been in the yard unused for some time and he found that the lead lining had been stripped off. The prisoner with another inmate named Harvey Hutchins, had got away from the workhouse by scaling a wall. On Wednesday 22nd, Tryhorn sold 2 pieces of old lead weighing 19lbs. to Mr. Still of the firm Still and Co, warehouseman and general dealer for 2s. 4d. and on the 24th he sold 4 other pieces of lead weighing 45lbs. for 5s. 8d. The lead was identified by Charles Cooper the plumber as having formed part of the lining of a cistern, which his deceased father supplied to the Union, sometime since and which had since been used as a pig sty.

Prisoner pleaded guilty. This charge was in addition to the previous stolen 30lb lead from Alderbury Union. Tryhorn was sentenced to 3 months hard labour and Hutchins to 2 months hard labour.

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On Tuesday evening 28th January, Harvey Hatcher and William Tryhorn were apprehended in St. Edmunds Church Street, by PC. Hartford, having in their possession 30lb weight of lead, which was after ascertained to have been stolen from Alderbury Union. They were handed over to the county police and taken before Mr. Pinckney on Wednesday. Both prisoners were remanded till Tuesday next.

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