



A Typical Victorian Beerhouse

### **Charges of Assault, Drunk & Disorderly 1872**

Henry King and John Seager were summoned by George Davis for assaulting him on the 11th inst. It appears that the complainant was coming from Wootton Bassett to Chippenham on the day above mentioned, and met the prisoners in front of a beershop at Christian Malford. There were six men there altogether, and one of them gave him some bread and cheese and a glass of beer. On leaving the defendant King and another man ran after him, and King took hold of him by the collar, threw him down, took away his basket of nuts, and put some of them in their pockets, and threw the rest away. King struck him in the mouth, and knocked out one of his teeth. King to pay 18s and Seager 10s including costs.

#### **ALSO**

Henry King of Bremhill and Alfred Gale, of Lyneham, were summoned by PC Willis for being drunk and disorderly at Christian Malford on the 11th April. The defendants were two of the six mentioned in the last case. King was ordered to pay 3s 6d, and Gale 10s, including costs.

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