



# Reward

## *Deserters*

Whereas the undermentioned Men, who were enrolled to serve in the Fifth Battalion of the Wilts Local Militia, commanded by Lieut.-Colonel Commandant Lord George Thynne have neglected to attend the training and exercising of the said Battalion, which commenced at Warminster on Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> day of May instant; whereby they are deemed Deserters, A Reward of Twenty Shillings for each of the said Deserters is allowed by Act of Parliament to any person or persons who shall apprehend them or either of them, and give notice thereof to Quarter0master Cruse, of the said Battalion, at Warminster.

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Gabriel Sparey, aged 22, 5ft. 4 ½ in. high, light complexion and hair, grey eyes, of Codford St. Mary, Wilts, labourer. He is a drummer, and is supposed to be in London.

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James Dowdell, aged 20, 5ft. 3 in. high, dark complexion, hair and eyes, of Upton Lovell, Wilts, labourer. He is supposed to be in the Isle of Wight.

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