



Honesty Rewarded

On Tuesday week a man named Boyce, in the employ of Mr. James Randell, picked up a £5 note near the Castle Hotel [Devizes]. He advertised his find, and the owner, a neighbouring farmer, was so grateful at the recovery of his property that he rewarded him with a half sovereign.

More recently a little boy in the town picked up an envelope containing two five pound notes, addressed to the owner, and on taking them to their destination was rewarded with twopence, to which a lady afterwards added twopence-halfpenny more.

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OPC Note:

Half a Sovereign in 1874 is roughly worth £40 in 2019

£5 in 1874 is roughly worth £400 in 2019

4 and half pence in 1874 is roughly worth £1.50 in 2019