



Durrington

In The News

William Bassage, brought by habeas-corpus from Surrey gaol, was indicted for stealing a nag mare the property of Abraham Hawkins at Barwick Hill. The prisoner was seen near the field from which the horse was stolen on the day mentioned in the indictment, which was in the latter part of October last; on the 6th of November, Mr Kellow of Durrington purchased the mare of the prisoner, who was apprehended on the 7th of April, by Hall the officer. A real Rochester landlady, however, established an alibi; swearing that the prisoner slept in her house on the nights of the 25th and 26th October. The Jury wisely considering that a man could not be at two places at once, acquitted the prisoner.

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