



Wilts Special Commission

Saturday, January 8. (Before Mr Justice Parke)

W. Legg, aged 28; T. Legg, 21; and J. Legg, 18, were charged with breaking thrashing-machines, the property of R. Shewry, of Hannington. The Jury Acquitted William Legg and found his two brothers guilty.

The same three prisoners were then placed at the bar, charged with having robbed Elizabeth Montgomery of half a crown.

The Jury found all the prisoners guilty – Sentence of death was recorded against them.

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Thomas Legg, 21 married, one child, wife Mary at Buckland, Oxfordshire, farm labourer and butcher, from Hannington. Death commuted to 14 years, transported on the Proteus, arriving August 4 1831 in Van Dieman's Land. Conditional pardon 6 April 1836. Free Cert 1846. He left Van Diemans Land for Melbourne on 26 December 1851, probably to head for the Victorian goldfields. He eventually joined his brother William in New South Wales and died in there in 1866.

Tasmanian Records

John Legg, 14 years, 19, ploughman, single, from Hannington. Death commuted to 14 yrs, transported on the Proteus, arriving August 4 1831 in Van Dieman's Land. Conditional pardon, 6 April 1838.

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William Legg, Death commuted to 14 years, transported went on the **Eleanor** to New South Wales.

Convict Records