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## **Charge of Placing Stones on Railway Line**

George Wansborough, a boy of twelve, has been committed by Lord Heytesbury, at Warminster, on a charge of having maliciously and feloniously placed three stones on the Salisbury branch of the Wilts, Somerset and Weymouth Railway, at Norton Bavant, on the 25th ult. Fortunately the obstruction was unattended by serious consequences; but the occurrence having been reported to Supt. Abbott, that officer found ground for suspecting the boy, who admitted the offence, and in his mother's presence subsequently also acknowledged that he had placed the stones on the line, but denied that he had any malicious intent. It being out of the power of the bench to convict summarily, the boy was committed for trial.

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