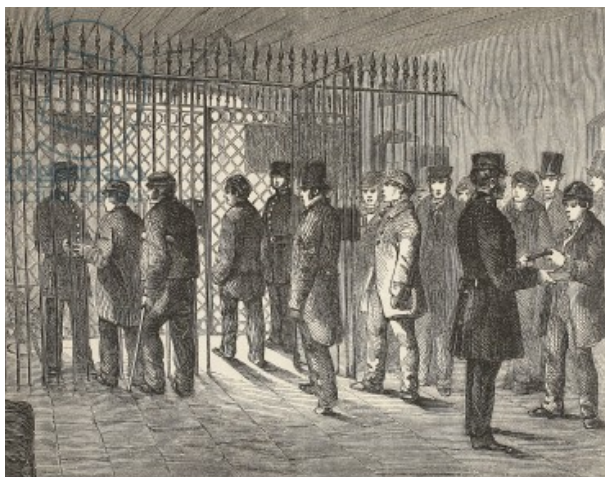


Crime and Punishment

Potterne



Summoned For Non-Payment Of Poor Rates

Devizes Sessions Petty Sessions

Monday May 9,

(Before Dr Seagram and Mr Pigou)

Knightley Smith was summoned for the non-payment of poor rates due to the parish of Potterne. Smith occupied some land near Caen Hill belonging to the railway Company. In February he was required to give it up, and was told that his tenancy would be looked upon as having ceased from Michaelmas last. On this ground he contended that he was not liable to pay a rate made on the 23rd of December: but the Bench, of course, though otherwise. They agreed, however to adjourn the case for a month for the attendance of Mr Blandford, who, it was stated, could explain the terms of agreement which had been made between the Company and other tenants in the same situation as Smith.

Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette, 12 May 1853