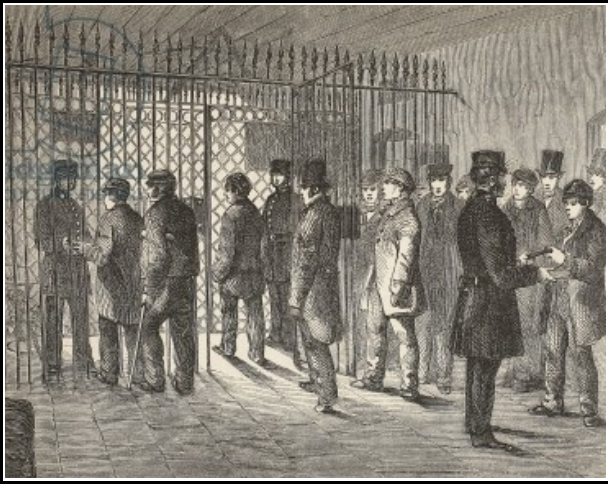


# Crime and Punishment

*Seend*



## *Stealing Charge*

Yesterday morning the young woman Julia Newman was brought up in custody of the police at Melksham, on a charge of stealing £32 in money, and other property of her master, Mr Wadham Locke, one of the magistrates of Wilts, residing at Seend.

The prisoner (a respectably dressed and good looking young woman) cried bitterly during the proceedings. The facts detailed in our columns on Saturday last were proved, and it was also shown that when the prisoner was taken to be searched she secreted in the room a small bag, which was found to contain a locket and other articles, the former of which belonged to Miss Smith, a young lady residing with Mrs Locke.

The prisoner, it also appeared, had only been in the service of Mrs Locke three weeks and three days when the robbery was committed. The breaking of the glass on the conservatory, the fact of her being severely cut about the lower part of her person, and her statement that the notes and money could be found in the shrubbery were proved. At the close of the evidence the magistrates (Mr R L Lopes and Mr H G Awdry) committed the prisoner for trial.

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