

Sheep-Stealing 1839

TEN POUNDS REWARD

Whereas, on the night of the 19th inst., or morning of the 20th,
some person or persons,
did feloniously **KILL** a **FAT WETHER SHEEP**,
and **CARRY AWAY** the **CARCASS**,
from a fold near the London Road,
belonging to Mr James Blatch, of Winterbourne Dauntsey,
leaving the skin, head, and entrails in a Fir Plantation near.

The person giving such information
as shall lead to the apprehension and conviction
of the offender or offenders who committed the felony,
shall receive the above Reward from the said James Blatch.

Some mornings since, a suspicious-looking man was seen,
soon after five o'clock, searching in a field of standing barley,
on Milford Hill, near Salisbury,
where he took up a large parcel in a cloth,
on feeling which, the person who saw it supposed it to be meat,
but resistance was made to its further inspection.

The parcel was taken away on a bay horse,
which was in a lane close by.

The horse had on a bridle and saddle, and was
about 14 hands high;
the man was dressed in a light jacket,
broad-brimmed straw hat,
laced up half-boots,
and appeared to be between 30 and 40 years of age.



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