



MACHINE RIOTS

Farm Machinery Riots

The Hindon Troop, under the command of Captain Wyndham, of Dinton, arrived on the evening of Tuesday, and on the day following, under the directions of the Earl of Radnor, and Lieut-Col. Baker (who had also, with Mr Fort, vainly advised the riotous assemblage at Alderbury to disperse), proceeded to Alderbury and Whaddon, and enabled the constables to secure twelve of the principal rioters, who were promptly seized, bound, and conveyed in a waggon, under an escort of the Hindon Troop, to the County Prison.

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Committed to Fisherton Gaol

Abraham Jacob (otherwise Abraham Lucas) charged with having feloniously endeavoured to obtain money from Thomas Wolferstan, at Alderbury, by threats and menaces - Samuel Hatcher, William Cook, Thomas Light, William Rogers, jun, and Abraham Lucas (otherwise Jacob), all of Alderbury, charged with riotous conduct, breaking thrashing-machines, and extorting money by threats and menaces, at the above place - Henry Lane and Aaron Stone, of Whiteparish, charged with riotously assembling and extorting money at the above place. Henry Thornton, William Olden, William Elton, and William Holmes, of Newton Toney, charged with destroying the thrashing-machines of James Judd. - James Case and Abraham Morgan, of Bishopstone, charged with having destroyed a thrashing and a chaff machine, the property of Thomas Blandford....

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The Sentences Taken From The Criminal Register

For the men of Alderbury only.

William Cook, Thomas Light and William Rogers: 7 years each for "Feloniously destroying a threshing machine"
Samuel Hatcher has a note "No Bill". He was neither sentenced, nor acquitted.
Abraham Jacob was charged with "Assault with intent to rob". He was acquitted.