



## HORSE STEALING

The crime of horse-stealing has increased to such a degree in every part of the kingdom, that some new legislative enactment is now much wanted for its suppression. The present system of stealing these valuable animals, and disposing of them, in such a way as to ensure the concealment of the offenders, is become so perfect, that the conviction of an offender is a circumstance of rare occurrence. The strict enforcement of the existing law is therefore loudly called for.

In our last, we stated the stealing of three horses in this neighbourhood; and we have now to mention the following:

... On the same night (*Tuesday night last*) a dark brown mare, 13 hands high, was stolen from a stable at Bramshaw, the property of Mr. John Andrews.

... In addition to the above, a bay hackney mare was stolen in the night of the 27th ult. from a field near Chippenham, the property of Mr. Samuel Ghey, and a reward of 50 guineas is offered for the conviction of the offender.

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