

## Crime & Punishment

Codford



## Committed to Fisherton Gaol

This particular gaol was built between 1818 & 1822 on the east side of the Devizes Road, Salisbury just beyond the junction with Wilton Road and was closed in 1870. The building was demolished from 1875 except for the central block and acquired by Dr William Corbin Finch, the proprietor of the Fisherton House Lunatic Asylum and named Radnor House.

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|---------|-------------|---|--|
| Fry     | George      | Charged with having stolen some garden tools and baskets, the property of the Rev. George Fox of Codford.  For Trial  | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>15 <sup>th</sup> June, 1807     |
| Fry     | Jane        | Suspicion of having knowingly received stolen property from George Fry (see above)  For Trial   | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>15 <sup>th</sup> June, 1807     |
| Fry     | Elizabeth   | Suspicion of having knowingly received stolen property from George Fry (see above)  For Trial   | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>15 <sup>th</sup> June, 1807     |
| Bennett | Phoebe      | Suspicion of having knowingly received stolen property from George Fry (see above)  For Trial   | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>15 <sup>th</sup> June, 1807     |
| Smith   | William     | Of Milford, charged with having stolen on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> , four turkies, the property of Wm. Bennett at Codford St. Mary                                   | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>12 <sup>th</sup> February, 1821 |
| Henrys  | Wm.         | Charged with burglariously entering the shop of Thos. Talbot, at Codford St Peter & stealing a quantity of leather  Death- Reprieved to 14 years transportation | Devizes & Wiltshire<br>Gazette<br>18 <sup>th</sup> November, 1824      |

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| Wheeler                        | Thomas      | Of Codford St Mary for breaches of Game laws   | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>16 <sup>th</sup> Nov, 1829    |
| Toogood                        | Stephen     | Charged with stealing two lambs, the property of Mr James Slade of Codford St Peter.   | Devizes & Wiltshire<br>Gazette<br>25 <sup>th</sup> February, 1830    |
|                                |             | *Outcome – Death – Reprieved to 7 years Transportation   |  |
| Giles                          | Charles     | Of Whiteparish, Charged under the Coroner's Warrant with the willful murder of the infant male child of Harriet Stone at the parish of Codford   | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>4 <sup>th</sup> October, 1830 |
|                                |             | *Outcome – to be executed  |  |
| Mussell<br>otherwise<br>Olding | William     | Charged on suspicion of having written a letter threatening to murder James Slade & James Raxworthy, of Codford St Peter and to burn & destroy their corn & hay.   | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>22nd November, 1830           |
| Wheeler                        | Sarah       | Of Codford St. Peter, charged with having feloniously and maliciously set fire to certain out-buildings belonging to the premises in which she resides, the same being the property of James Slade, of that place.   | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>11 <sup>th</sup> April, 1831  |
|                                |             | *Outcome – 12 months at Devizes Corrections  |  |
| Potter                         | Wm.         | Charged with having broken into the dwelling-house of Wm. Codrington, esq. with a felonious intent, at Codford St. Peter (The prisoner having helped himself to a few tarts below stairs, proceeded to the bedrooms and was ransacking the room in which Mr Shaw (a visitor) slept, when that gentleman immediately jumped out of bed and secured him. | Devizes & Wiltshire<br>Gazette<br>1 <sup>st</sup> September, 1831    |
|                                |             | *Outcome – Death- Commuted to imprisonment at Devizes House of Correction  |  |
| Woods                          | Benjamin    | Along with George Oliver, labourers of Codford St. Mary, charged with stealing the works of a clock, a pair of decanters on April 30, the property of Rev. James Ingram of Trinity College, Oxford.  | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>11 <sup>th</sup> May, 1835    |
| Oliver                         | Geo.        | Along with Benjamin Woods, labourers of Codford St. Mary, charged with stealing the works of a clock, a pair of decanters on April 30, the property of Rev. James Ingram of Trinity College, Oxford.   | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>11 <sup>th</sup> May, 1835    |
| Mould                          | Wm.         | Charged with stealing three fowls, the property of Robert Raxworthy of Codford St. Peter   | Devizes & Wiltshire<br>Gazette<br>13 <sup>th</sup> April, 1837       |
| Woods                          | Benjamin    | Of Codford St. Mary, charged with stealing a meat tongue, the property of John Brind at Codford St. Peter.   | Devizes & Wiltshire Gazette 3rd December, 1840                       |
|                                |             | *Outcome – 7 years transportation (2 <sup>nd</sup> conviction)   | ,  |

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| Whale   | Thomas         | Of Codford St. Peter, charged with breaking open the dwelling-house of Ann Strong, in June 1840 and stealing wearing-apparel, bed & table-linen; also charged with leaving his wife and family chargeable to parish. | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>21 <sup>st</sup> June, 1841                            |
|         |                | *Outcome – Transportation for Life   |   |
| Торр    | Mesheck        | Of Codford St. Mary for misbehaviour in service.   | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>26 <sup>th</sup> August, 1843                          |
| Торр    | Charles        | 1 month imprisonment Along with John Carter, of Codford St. Mary, charged with stealing a fowl, the property of Anthony Notley.  | Salisbury and Winchester Journal 2 <sup>nd</sup> December, 1843                               |
| Carter  | John           | 1 month imprisonment for poaching Along with Charles Topp, of Codford St. Mary, charged with stealing a fowl, the property of Anthony Notley.  | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> December, 1843                         |
| Торр    | Isaac          | Of Codford St. Peter  2 months imprisonment for poaching   | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> February, 1844                         |
| Hinwood | Praxall Alford | Of Warminster, for breaking the windows of John Fitz, at Codford St. Peter.  2 months imprisonment   | Devizes & Wiltshire Gazette 1st August, 1844  |
| Торр    | Charles        | Of Codford St. Mary  3 months imprisonment for poaching  | Devizes & Wiltshire<br>Gazette<br>14 <sup>th</sup> November, 1844                             |
| Hinwood | Praxall Alford | Of Warminster, charged with having willfully sent to Thomas Slade Whiting, of Codford St. Peter, a letter, threatening to burn & destroy his farm.   | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>14 <sup>th</sup> December, 1844                        |
| Mathews | Nicolas        | *Outcome – 10 years transportation  Charged for feloniously stolen a pair of quarter boots, the property of Edward Grant, at Codford St. Peter.  | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>25 <sup>th</sup> January, 1845                         |
| Bargain | James          | Sailor, for stealing three pairs of cloth trousers, the property of John Brind, at Codford St. Peter.  | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>15 <sup>th</sup> November, 1845                        |
| Brown   | Benjamin       | For stealing money from the person of James Martin at Codford.   | Devizes & Wiltshire<br>Gazette<br>15 <sup>th</sup> January, 1846                              |
|         |                | 3 months imprisonment  |   |
| Торр    | Chas.          | For poaching   | Salisbury and Winchester Journal  |
| Woods   | George         | 3 months imprisonment Of Codford, for killing fish.  1 month imprisonment  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> October, 1846  Salisbury and Winchester  Journal 10 <sup>th</sup> April, 1847 |
| Pullen  | Samuel         | Of Trowbridge, charged with stealing two brass weights, the property of Richard Fry, at Codford St. Mary.  | Salisbury and Winchester Journal 18 <sup>th</sup> September, 1847                             |

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| Woods   | Wm.         | Of Codford St. Peter, for stealing nuts.   | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal                                 |
|         |             | 6 weeks imprisonment   | 23 <sup>rd</sup> October, 1847                                      |
| Whale   | Wm.         | Of Codford St. Peter, for misbehavior in service.  | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal                                 |
|         |             | 1 month imprisonment   | 4 <sup>th</sup> March, 1848   |
| Woods   | Wm.         | Of Codford St. Peter, for stealing a hat, the property of John Hinwood.                                    | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>6 <sup>th</sup> May, 1848    |
| Bennett | John        | Of Codford St. Mary, for poaching.  2 months imprisonment  | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>6 <sup>th</sup> May, 1848    |
| Woods   | Henry       | Of Codford St. Peter, for non-payment of assessed taxes levied on him for poaching.  4 months imprisonment | Salisbury and Winchester<br>Journal<br>22 <sup>nd</sup> March, 1851 |