



Gunshot damage to a window

Gun Attack on Mr. Lyne

Between one and two o'clock on Sunday morning last, while Mr. Lyne, a respectable farmer and grazier of Nursteed, within a mile of Devizes, was lying in bed with his wife, some person fired a gun, laden with large duck shot, through the window, in a direct line with Mr. L's head; but happily without success.

Several of the shots, passing within a few inches of him, lodged in the bed-clothes, and walls of the room. Mr. Lyne sleeps on the first floor; and the perpetrator of this daring outrage must either have had a ladder, or been assisted upon the shoulders of another person. It is hoped that every effort will be exerted to bring the offender to punishment. One man is in custody, and has been committed for further examination. A few months since some malicious person set fire to a hay-rick belonging to Mr. Lyne.

The Gazette of last night contains an announcement offering a reward of £100 for the discovery of the person or persons, who committed this diabolical outrage; also an offer of pardon to anyone, save the actual perpetrator, who shall give such information as may lead to the conviction of the offender or offenders.

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