

Crime and Punishment

Dilton Marsh



Wilts Quarter Sessions Wednesday 13th Jan 1875: Before Mr. Merewether Q.C.

Duck Stealing: John Bird and Frederick Cooper were charged with stealing two ducks, value 6s, the property of Mr. Samuel Josiah Smith, miller of Dilton Marsh near Westbury on the 13th December. Mr. Stancomb prosecuted. The jury found both prisoners guilty and as Bird had been several times previously convicted he was sentenced to four months hard labour and Cooper to one month's imprisonment.

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