



Crime Reports

Pewsey 1850-1899

1861

Everley Petty Sessions, Friday February 22 Before T.E. Fowle, Esq., and Major Heathcote. William Ward, late of Pewsey, was bought up on remand, charged with stealing, in company with another man, who was committed to the assizes upon the charge at a previous sessions, four tame pheasants from an aviary, the property of Mr J. W. King, at Everley, on the 21st October last. This prisoner was also committed for trial at the assizes. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal, 2 March 1861**

1862

Everley Petty Sessions, 26 December 1862 Blind Drunk. Thomas Winterton, dealer of Pewsey, was summoned for assaulting Charles Smoker Bance, at Collingbourne Kingston, on the 10th inst. Complainant keeps Inn at that place and on the evening in question the defendant and a man Cook, also of Pewsey, went to the house and had some beer, and were leaving the house without paying for the same, when the landlord asked Cook for the money, instead of which, he got a severe blow in the face. The case was clearly proved against him. Defendant in answer to the charge, said he was so drunk that he could not remember seeing either the landlord or the house. Fined 10s and costs, 30s. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette 1 January 1863**

1869

Pewsey Sessions. Mary Ann Andrews, of Pewsey, single woman, was brought up in custody under remand, charged with stealing a pair of woman's boots, value 1s. 6d., at Alton Priors, on the 27th ult., the property of Elizabeth Odey, wife of Thomas Odey, of Alton Priors, labourer. The complainant said that, knowing the prisoner, she boarded and lodged her for five days, and shortly after she had left her house she missed her boots, and found prisoner's old ones, a much worn pair, left in place of them. The prisoner was committed to prison for one month. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal, Saturday, 20 November 1869**

1888

Pewsey Petty Sessions. Friday. Damage to a Pot. Before the Rev. J.H. Gale, Rev. Hon. B.P. Bouverie, and Rev. W.H. Audry. Thomas Bull and Charles Waite were summoned by John Siney for damaging a pot. Complainant proved seeing the two defendants throw stones on the evening of the 16th April, about nine o'clock, and hearing Bull say, "Let us break the window." Both defendants denied the offence. William Stagg said there was only one stone thrown by Tom Dyke. Convicted and ordered to pay damage (1s 6d) and costs (9s) to be divided between them, 5s 3d each. This was the only case before the Bench. **Western Gazette, 25 May 1888**