

## **Riotous Assembly**

## Wilts, to wit

Whereas Richard Weeks, labourer, John Goodall, labourer, John Coleman, labourer, Richard Biggs, labourer, William Knott, labourer and John King, yeoman, all of the parish of Potterne, in the said county of Wilts, did, with many others at present unknown, riotously assemble in the parish of Potterne aforesaid, on Sunday the 24th day of September last, and did there violently assault, beat, and abuse Alexander McLane, serjeant, Isaac Edwards, private man, and Isaac Hardgrove, drummer, all belonging to his Majesty's third division of marines, commanded by General Bell, and belonging to Captain's William's company, who were then on their recruiting service in the said parish of Potterne.

We whose names are hereunto subscribed do hereby publickly acknowledge our offence, and sincerely beg pardon of them, the said Alexander McLane, Isaac Edwards, and Isaac Hardgrove for the same; and do promise that we will not commit the like offence again; and hope that this our public acknowledgment will deter others, for the future from offending in like manner.

JOHN KING RICH. BIGGS JOHN COLEMAN RICH. WEEKS JOHN GOODALL WILL. KNOT

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