

## Crime and Punishment

## Seend

## On The Run

Escaped from Justice, on the 23rd of March last, Richard Scot, of the parish of Seend, in the county of Wilts, labourer, who stands charged with breaking open several houses, and committing divers other felonies in the parish of Seend.

Whoever apprehends the said Richard Scot, will be entitled, by law, to a reward of £40; and as a further reward, the Overseers of the Poor of the said parish of Seend, do hereby promise to pay to such person or persons who shall apprehend the said Richard Scot, and secure him, so that he may be brought to justice, the sum of two guineas, and all reasonable expenses attending the apprehending and detaining him the said Richard Scot; and the person or persons who shall so apprehend the said Richard Scot, are hereby required to give notice to the Overseers, where the said Richard Scot is so secured.

The said Richard Scot is about 27 years of age, about five feet eight inches high, has light brown hair, a Roman nose, stoops a little in his walk, goes out at the knees, and has a great impediment in his speech; he had on when he went away, a dark brown or damson coloured coat and waistcoat with white metal buttons, and a corduroy pair of breeches; he carried with him a frock or carter's frock, which he often wears and a brown great coat with a large single cape.

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