



HIGHWAY ROBBERY

Between 9 and 10 o'clock on Saturday night the 16th inst., as Richard Brown of Littleton Pannel, was returning with a horse and cart from Uphurstbourne, (where he had been with three fat pigs) he was attacked near Gore Cross Farm, West Lavington, and within a quarter mile of the spot where Mr. Deane was lately robbed, by two foot-pads, dressed in dark coats and round caps, one of whom seized the horse by the head, whilst the other got on the shaft, and, with an oath, demanded his money, at the same time giving him two tremendous blows on the head with a large bludgeon, which almost deprived him of his senses. Brown upon recovering himself, returned the blow with his fist, and knocked the fellow down. He soon rose, however, and with his companion, jumped into the cart, and rifled Brown's pockets of a purse containing 10s. Brown called loudly for help, and being but a short distance from three farm-houses, the fellow thought it prudent to decamp: fortunately leaving Brown with £14 in notes and gold on his person. On reaching home, Brown fell backwards, and was seized with a fit.

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