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Hannah Morton. I live in Hair-street, at the top of Leather-lane. I lost my gown out of a drawer yesterday was a week, and I found it upon the prisoner that evening. This was the 5th of September.

John Hump. I did keep a public-house in Parker's-lane, but I now live at the top of Leather-lane. I hired the prisoner the 4th of September; she came about six that afternoon, and about three the next day we missed her. My housekeeper, Hannah Morton, told me she missed a gown. I went to enquire after her, and found her about a hundred yards from my house, in a house let out into tenements, pinning on this gown. She had given her old cloaths to another woman, who was dressing herself in them. (*The gown produced, and deposed to by prosecutor.*)

Prisoner's Defence.

I borrowed this gown, as another person had borrowed mine. My master catching me putting it on, he knocked me down, and took the gown from me.

Guilty 10d. W.

533. (M.) Benjamin Dukessell, otherwise James Dukessell, was indicted for marrying Sarah Martin, spinster, on the 2d of January, 1769, his former wife, Mary Wilson, whom he married the 11th of September, 1753, being living, &c. *

There being not evidence sufficient to prove the first marriage, he was acquitted.

534. (L.) Samuel Washfield, otherwise Whitby, was indicted for stealing a linen shirt, value 6s. and a linen stock, value 2s. the property of Christopher Forster, July 28. *

Christopher Forster. The prisoner lay with me one night, in Little Britain, on the 28th of July. I left him in bed, and got up at six o'clock, to go to work. When I came home, my landlady told me she was robbed of two sheets from the bed. I went up and missed a ruffle shirt, a stock, a pair of shoes, and a pair of stockings. The prisoner was taken on the 8th of August, and I went to see him in the Poultry Compter. He had then my shirt and stock on. (*Produced and deposed to.*)

Prisoner's Defence.

I had two or three friends came out of the

country. I was asked to take a dinner with them, so I took the shirt and stock to put on to appear in.

Robert Platt. I am a silver flatter. The prisoner lodged with me two years; he bears a good character, and behaved honestly.

Guilty 10d. W.

535. (M.) William Wagnell was indicted for stealing a pair of child's stays, value 4s. a cotton petticoat, value 1s. and a flannel petticoat, value 1s. the property of Joseph Bevan, July 10. †

Joseph Bevan. I am a taylor, and live in Little Tower-street. On the 10th of July, between seven and eight in the morning, I left my house to go to a public-house in the same street, and I left my door open. I saw the prisoner coming out of my house. I went and met him. I asked who he wanted there; I think he said Mrs. Jones. I supposed him to be a thief, so I took him back, and from under his coat I took the things mentioned in the indictment. (*Produced and deposed to.*)

Prisoner's Defence.

I was going down little Tower-street, and seeing these things lying close by this gentleman's door, I took them up, when the gentleman stopped me, and said they were his things. I went back with him, took them from under my arm, and gave them to him. I sell earthen ware about the streets.

Guilty T.

536, 537 (L.) James Bomlin, and Robert Hony, otherwise Hony, were indicted for stealing four linen shirts, value 8s. two neck-cloths, a pair of silk stockings, a pair of thread stockings, two pair of woollen stockings, two silk handkerchiefs, a linen gown, a linen apron, and two linen towels, the property of Jonathan Saunderson, July 27. †

Jonathan Saunderson. I live in Princes street, near Barbican. My window was whole over night, and the morning of the 22d of July, about five o'clock, I went to wash myself, but could not find a towel. I looked, and found my window in the kitchen was broke, and the things mentioned in the indictment gone. My wife takes in washing. They were ironed, and hung upon a horse.