

# Cambridge Borough Police, Station House Journal, March 1838

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1838

No	Names	AM				PM								
11	Clements	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
12	Earl	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
14	Rockett	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
25	Smith	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

**P.C.15 to report**

P.C.15 Ryder reported by Mr Green absent from his Beat from one to two o'clock am 2<sup>nd</sup> March fined 1/-

**Disorderly gowmsmen**

P.C.19 Tyler reports that at ¾ before 1 am he met one of Hodgsons Flys in King Street a University Gent was on the box driving the Proctor was riding horse-back and endeavouring to stop the Fly. He had been remonstrating with the Gent and he not knowing the Proctor struck him several times. P.C. Tyler succeeding in taking the Gent ascertain'd his name to be Cohen of Jesus.

**P.C.16 assaulted**

P.C.16 Benton reports that a University Gent kick'd him on the chest at 11 pm. Also that Mr Folkes of Emmanuel College knock'd violently at Mrs Inds at 1½.

**Report of Gas**

P.C.22 Pond reports that the inhabitants of Trumpington St complain of the Gas going out so soon of late.

**Sleeping in stables**

P.C.6 Fynn reports that Mr Hunnybun of Brunswick Place inform'd him that some persons have been sleeping in his stable for the last week past. Mr H gave P.C.6 the key to look in during the night which he did but found no person there.

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 1838

No	Names	AM				PM								
11	Clements	9			12	1	2	3		5	In Barnwell			9
12	Earl	9			12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
14	Rockett	9			12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
25	Smith	9			12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

**Copper stolen**

P.C.19 Tyler reports that an oval Copper Boiler was stolen from Mrs Bebee bakers shop in Eden Street about 3 pm. A boy was seen going along the Street with a Copper Boiler about the time the robbery was supposed to have been Committed.

Over-written in the Superintendent's hand "the Copper was found but no report has been made about it"

**Disturbance stopped**

P.C.18 Anable reports he put a stop to a disturbance on St Andrews Hill at 11 pm.

**Report of gas**

P.C.22 Pond reports that several gas lights went out in Trumpington Street at 1 am.

**Fire put out by the Police**

P.C.19 Tyler & P.C.26 Hull report they heard the cry of fire in Mr Arbers House in Emmanuel lane they broke open the door and found the bed room in flames they with the Assistance of P.C.17 Robinson put

out the fire left all safe at 3¼ am the bed curtains where all burnt and part of the bed clothes and the child's face was burnt but not to disfigure it. Mr Arber says he has no doubt the House must have been burnt down had not the Police Constables broken open the door when they heard the cry of fire the fire was occasioned by the Bed curtains catching fire from a Lighted Candle set on the Bed.

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
11	Clements	9	10	11	12	Hall	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
12	Earl	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
14	Rockett	9	10	11	12	Hall								9
25	Smith	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	Market			7	8	9

***Fight stopped***

P.C.20 Seabrook reports he put a stop to a fight on the Newmarket road in Barnwell at 12½ am

***Do.***

P.C.16 Benton reports he put a stop to a fight at 12 pm at the back of the Town Hall.

***Man found drunk***

P.C. Pond reports he found a man lying at his door in Little St Marys Lane very drunk and call'd his friends. Added in the Superintendent's hand "at what time ?" to which is added "2 am"

***Beer house to report***

P.C.21 Simkins reports he saw 4 persons come out of the Bricklins beer shop Chesterton Lane at ¼ 2 am Landlord Thos Willett.

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> to Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
11	Clements	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
12	Earl	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
14	Rockett	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
25	Smith	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	On the Parade			

***Public Houses visited***

The Superint visited many of the Public [Houses] during the Hours of divine Service & found all in good order.

[entry in the Superintendent's hand]

***Bread for prisoners***

P.S. Smith sent to Mr Harris for a half Quartern loaf for John Bowman a Prisoner

***[Report of gas]***

The Gas burnt well during the night

***Pail found***

P.C.6 Flynn reports that at 2½ am he saw a man coming along Jesus Lane with a Pail in his hand as soon as the man saw the P.C. cross the road he threw the Pail down and ran away across the common he ran after him but was unable to overtake him the Pail was left at the Station.

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM	No	Names	PM							
11	Clements	9	10	11	12	1	2	8	Hackney	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
12	Earl	9	10	11	12	1	2	6	Fynn	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
14	Rockett	9	10	11	12	1	2	12	Earl	3	a mistake		6	7	8	9
25	Smith	9	10	11	12	1	2	9	G.Richardson	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

**Shutters unfastened**

P.C.23 Faircloth reports that Mr Gillsons Sidney Street shutters were not secure at 12½ call'd them, they were thankful.

**Dog cart examined**

P.C.14 Richardson reports he examined a dog cart on the Hills Road at 9¾ pm found all right.

**Disturbance stopped**

P.S. Smith reports he suppress'd a disturbance in Binders Row, Barnwell at 3½ am.

**[Report of gas]**

The Gas at the upper end of Trumpington Street went out 1½ am

**Robbery**

The Superint reports that about ½ past 9 pm two Persons went into Hunts shop, Castle End, one asked for a Penny Loaf. While Mr Hunt was serving him, the other whose name is Chas Wells, ran away with a Home backed Loaf, with which he effected his escape. The P.C. Tyler was absent from his Beat when the Robbery occurred and did not make his appearance till ¼ to 10 o'clock.

[entry in the Superintendent's hand]

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
12	Earl	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
6	Fynn	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
8	Hackney	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
9	G. Richardson	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

**Accident**

P.C.9 Reports that a Gentleman was thrown from his Horse on Parkers Piece But not much Hurt P.C.9 took the Horse to Mr Faulkners Stable 1 o'clock pm.

**Enquiry after Wells a reputed thief**

P.C.9 Richardson Reports he went in Search for the two men for the Above robbery at Mrs Hunts shop, and found they both are left the Town to work on the rail road.

**Windows broken**

At ¼ to 12 o'clock pm Miss Bonnett of Prospect row came to the station [to] say that John Saunders of Milton had Broken her windows and some Glasses in her house P.S. Watts advised her to get a warrant.

**Disturbance in Queens Lane**

P.C.6 Fynn reports he put a Stop to A Disturbance in Queens Lane at 7½ o'clock pm also at the Duke of York Trumpington St at 8½ pm.

**Poker found**

P.C.11 Clements Reports he found A poaker on Wellington row Beat he took the poaker home to his House and refused to Leave it at the Station after being told the Order by P.S. Watts.

**Door found open**

P.C.23 Faircloth reports that Mr Gibsons in Sidney St door was open 12½ am he called them up they was thankful

**Shutters found open**

P.C.26 Hull reports the window shutter of Mr Swann Kings Parade not fastened, he Called them up they thanked him 1½ am.

**Disturbance**

P.C.11 Clements & P.C.16 Benton reports they put A Stop to A Disturbance in Binders row at 2 o'clock am.

**Report of Gas**

P.S.1 Rooke reports all the Gas Lamps up Hospital End went out at 1½ am all the rest in the Town Burned well during the night.

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
6	Fynn	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
8	Hackney	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
9	G. Richardson	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
12	Earl	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

**Robbery**

Stolen yesterday between 4 & 6 pm from Mr Hutchins Rooms in Trinity Hall 9 Silver tea spoons mark'd with an H old English character, they were taken from a cupboard. Also a dagger with ivory handle from the mantle shelf and blk leather sheath a piece of German silver on each end of the sheath.

**Orders for the Police Constables**

The whole of the Men to Parade to Morrow at 1 o'clock, and after to patrol the Town, for the purpose of taking into custody all Persons who cannot give a good account of themselves.

[entry in the Superintendent's hand]

[This operation continued on 9<sup>th</sup> March with a focus on vagrants]

**Disturbance**

P.C.21 reports he put a stop to a disturbance in Fitzwilliam Street at 10 pm.

**Ditto**

P.C.11 Clements put a stop to a disturbance at Hunts Lodging house Barnwell at 10 pm Also he was call'd to the Black Horse Kept by Wm Low to take a man in custody when he got there the man was gone away.

**Window not fastened**

P.C.26 reports that Mr Brookers window in Trinity St was unfastened at 1½ am and called them – they were thankful

**Sheldrick in pursuit of a thief**

P.C.10 Sheldrick came to the Station at 12 at night to say he had been running after young Jarvis in the Falcon Yard who he suspected had got something under his coat that was stolen was told it was some dead fowls, he could not catch him.

**[Report of gas]**

The Gas burn'd very well during the night.

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
12	Earl	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
6	Fynn	9		11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
8	Hackney	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
9	G. Richardson	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

**Disturbance**

P.C.8 Hackney Reports he put a stop to A Disturbance in Binders Row at 8½ o'clock pm.

**Complaint**

A Lad name Palintine came to the Station to say that the Boys Powell, Johnson and Shead had been illusing him by getting him down and beating him and threatening to kill him, on the East road St Andrews the Less 9 o'clock pm.

**Disorderly Gownsmen**

P.C. Hull Reports that A Collegian made A Great Disturbance at Mr Decks door Kings Parade. P.C. Hull took him to his lodgings at Mr Saffords Downing Street, his Names Hoskin of Queens 12¼ am

**Ditto**

P.C. Hull Reports he saw A Collegian getting over the wall of Caius College he Informed the Porter.

**[Report of gas]**

The Gas Burned well during the night P.S. Rooke.

**Handkerchief stolen - & restored**

P.C. Pond Reports he went with Mr Smith to a girl by the name of Dykes in Binders row who had taken or stolen a handkerchief off his neck. The girl gave him his handkerchief and he then refused to Give her in Charge. 5 o'clock am

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
6	Fynn	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
8	Hackney	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
9	G. Richardson	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
12	Earl	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

**Orders for the P.C.s**

The whole of the men after parade to Patrole the Town for an hour to take up Vagrants [in the Superintendent's hand]

**Disturbance**

P.C. Rocket reports he put a stop to a disturbance at Brennans Lodging House Barnwell at 11½ pm

**Shutters Open**

P.C. Simkin reports Mr Johnsons shutters in Tennis Court Road werthe unfastened at 12½ he call'd them.

**[Report of Gas]**

The Gas burnd well during the night.

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
12	Earl	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
6	Fynn	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
8	Hackney	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
9	G. Richardson	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	Market		

**Robbery**

P.C.6 Fynn Reports that Mr John Furbank of Cottenham had a Flatt of Sausages stolen from his stall in the Market at 8½ am by some Person or Persons unknown, the Flatt was markd J.F. Contain'd About A Peck in Measure

**Obtaining money under false pretences**

Mr Rowe Hosier Trinity St at 1½ o'clock pm came to the Station to Complain that John Algar of Barnwell has been to Mr Jarvis of Trinity College and obtain'd 2/6 under false pretences Mr Peach witness by

saying he lived with Mr Rowe, and went Also to Several other Gentlemen for the same purpose.

**To be summoned**

P.C.6 Fynn reports that Mr Francis Coals of Long Stanton and Mr William Linton of Westwick Left there carts Standing in Sidney Street without Horses from 11 o'clock am to 3 pm to the Obstruction of Passengers.

Over-written "to be summonsed"

**Piece of Mutton found**

P.C.6 Fynn reports that A piece of Mutton About 2lb ½ was found in Mr Favells Yard St Andrews the Great.

**Accident by a blind horse**

P.S. Smith Reports that a Horse and Cart standing opposite Mr Corys door in Trumpington Street at 1½ pm the Horse ran against and broke the Palisades in front of Kings Collage the Horse and Cart belong to Mr Bird Waggoner St Andrews Street.

**Tin pipeing**

P.C.Ryder reports that he found a piece of Tin Pipeing which had been pull'd down from a House in Eden Walk 2 am.

**Beer house to report**

P.C. Tyler 19 reports the beer Shop the Brick kiln Chesterton Lane open at 1¾ am Eight Persons drinking a quart pot on the table with some beer in the Landlords name J. Willett.

**[report of Gas]**

P.C. Hull reports the gas burnt well during the night.

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> to Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
		9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
6	Fynn	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
8	Hackney	9	10	11	12	1		3	4	5	6	Barnwell	9	
9	G. Richardson	9	10	11	12	1	Gone to Barton				6	7	8	9
12	Earl	sick												

**Beer houses visited**

The Superintendent visited the many of the Public Houses during the Hours of divine Service and found all well. [in the Superintendent's hand]

**[Orders for Mr Green]**

Mr Green will enter in the occurrence Book the Names of the Prisoners – Crime and the name of the P.Constable who has the case – for trial.

[entry in the Superintendent's hand]

Prisoner	Crime	Constables
Coles & Parker	Felony	Superintendent
Casburn	do	Inspr Green
Coles & Parker	do	P.S.2 Stearn
Thring	do	P.S.3 Smith
Geo Parr	Murder	P.S.4 Watts
Pryme & Bland	Felony	<del>P.C.11 Clements</del>
Molyneaux	Do	<del>P.C.20 Seabrook</del>
Carman	Embezzlement	P.C.22 Pond
Exton	Felony	P.C.16 Benson

[The following are included in the report of the Cambridge Assize in March 1838 - Cambridge Chronicle 24 March 1938 p2.

Henry Parker 28, John Coles (36) and Anna Maria Coles (34) had been systematically stealing from Cambridge shops. The two Coles gave evidence against Parker who was convicted and sentenced to 15 years transportation.

William Casburn (22) was indicted for highway robbery with William Long (22) and Henry Cousins (18) Cousins was convicted, the other two were acquitted

Joseph Thring (25) convicted of stealing a shawl the property of Mary Beaumont, 2 months imprisonment

George Parr (39) and Robert Howard (46) were tried for the Murder of John Walls in the gravel pits of Barnwell in September 1833. Walls' body was found in the gravel pits after it had been in the water for several days and was starting to decompose. Various witnesses swore at the Assize to seeing injuries on the deceased's cheek and head, but Dr Abbott, a local surgeon, had examined the body and had not seen any marks of violence. Witnesses described Walls and the two accused drinking together in the Three Horse Shoes public house, from where Walls' walk home would have taken him alongside the gravel pits where his body was later found. Years later a young man boasted in a local public house that he had seen Parr and Howard injure Walls and throw him into the water. The jury was not impressed by the veracity of this new evidence and found both of the prisoners not guilty.

Matthew Molineux charged with theft of beer and porter from his employer, was convicted and deported for seven years. ]

**[Beer Houses visited]**

The Beer shops in Barnwell were in good order between 11 & 1 pm.

**Fight prevented**

P.C.23 Faircloth reports he put a stop to a fight in Bridge Street at 11 pm.

**Report of Gas**

The gas burn'd well during the night

**Fight prevented**

P.S.2 Stearn reports he put a stop to a fight at the top of Trumpington Street at 9 pm.

**Public Houses visited**

P.S. Rooke reports he visited the Public Houses and beer shops on both sides of the River and Castle End found all in good order.

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								No	Name	
6	Fynn	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4/8	7	6	5	4	3	10	Sheldrick
8	Hackney	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4/8	7	6	5	4	3	11	Clements
9	G. Richardson	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4/8	7	6	5	4	3	12	Earl
12	Earl	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4/8	7	6	5	4	3	9	Richardson

**Disorderlies**

P.S.2 Reports he put a stop to a Disturbance in Wellington Row at 5¼ am

**Ditto**

P.C. Seabrook 20 reports he put a stop to a Disturbance on the East Road at 5 am.

**P.C. Sick**

P.C.5 Garner sick did no duty

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
10	Sheldrick	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
11	Clements	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Barnwell	9
12	Earl	sick												
9	G.Richardson	9	10	11	12	Hall	3	4	5	6	7	8		9

**[report of gas]**

The gas burn'd well during the night

**An attempt at seduction**

P.C.21 Simkin Reports Mr Grant of Orchard Street told him that some person attempted to get in to his house at the chamber window where the servant sleeps at 11½ pm.

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
10	Sheldrick	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
11	Clements	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
12	Earl	Sick												
9	Richardson	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

**Door found open**

P.C. Pond 22 reports he found a door open in Shallow Row he calld them up they were thankful 2 am.

**Report of gas**

P.S. Watts reports the gas burnt well during the night.

**P.C.16 Report**

P.C.16 Benton Absent from his beat half an hour from 25 mins past 10 till 5 minutes to 11 pm.

**Robbery**

Three more chains having been Stolen from the front of Mrs Beales House in Newnham Sergeant Smith will go to all the Marine Store dealers and enquire if they have purchased such articles. Over-written "The Police Constable to be reported for not reporting that the chains were stolen when he came off duty. He knew nothing of the matter. [entry in the Superintendent's hand]

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
10	Sheldrick	9	10	11		1	2	3	4	5	6			9
11	Clements	9	10	11		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
12	Earl	9	Sick											
9	Richardson	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

**Order for Supt**

Mr Rowe of Trinity Street requests that Mr Titterton would call upon him as early as convenient respecting John Algar who is going about and obtaining money under false pretenses. Over-written "to be cautioned"

**Arnold & Gunn**

Arnold & Gunn will meet the Superdt at 9 am. The Mayor requests that they are taken by the Superdt to Mr Adcock.

**Disorderlies**

P.S.2 reports he put a stop to a disturbance in Binders Row Barnwell at 9½ pm

**Report of Gas**

The gas burn'd well during the night.

**Nuisance**

P.C.11 Clements reports that he saw John Richardson and Wm Beasley empty some night soil on a piece of waste land adjoining a beer shop kept by John Halsey in Staffordshire Place St Andrews the less at [time left blank]

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

**Dog stolen**

Mr Papworth of Impington came to say that a small Black Tan TARRIER Dog with a white speck on the right eye was stolen from his premises yesterday between 3 and 4 o'clock pm.

No	Names	AM				PM								
9	Richardson	9	10	11	12	1	2	3				7	8	9
10	Sheldrick	9	10	11	12	1	2	3				7	8	9
11	Clements	9	10	11	12	1	2	3				7	8	9
12	Earl	9	10	11	12	1	2	3				7	8	

**[Body of child found buried]**

Dr Woodhouse of Hills road came to the Station to say that a New Born full grown child was found burried on his premises up the Hills road St Andrew the Great at 1 o'clock pm he removed to a out place of his to be taken care of.

**Enquiry respecting a child found in Ashby's garden**

P.S. Smith 3 reports he made enquiry respecting the Child said to have been found in Dr Woodhouses garden – the child was found by John Burton a Brick layer working in Mr Ashbys garden at 1½ pm it was tied up in a black apron – it was Burried about a foot deep no one is living in the house but Mr Ashby.

**Robbery till stolen**

P.C. Hull 26 reports that some Person about 8 pm went into the Shop of Mr Beckett Fruiterer in Trumpington Street and Stole the Till containing about 8 Shillings P.C.26 found the Till in Free School Lane at 1 am took it to Mr Beckett who thankd him.

**[Report of gas]**

The gas burnt well during the night.

**P.C. to report**

P.C. Sheldrake to be reported for not attending to Market Street according to order at 8 o'clock on Saturday morning.

**[P.C. sick]**

P.C.6 Fynn left his Beat sick at 1½ am.

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
9	Richardson	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	Sheldrick	9	10	11										9
11	Clements	9					2							9
12	Earl	9	10	11	12	1	2	3						9

**Assistance of Police called for**

P.C.14 Js Richardson Reports he was call'd to assist C. Apthorpe Sherriffs officer to arrest Mr Bays attorney in Bridge St at 10 pm.

**Attempt at robbery**

P.C.17 Robinson reports there was an attempt at highway robbery upon a Gentleman while he was passing in New St Barnwell at 10 pm – the man wore a light fustain frock & trousers light waistcoat with brass buttons, the Gentleman believes he could recognize him again.

**P.C.18 to report**

P.C.18 Anable drunk at ¼ to 2 am and absent from his beat at ¼ to 3 am.

**Coroners Inquest male child**

The Superintendent reports he attended the Coroners inquest at the Godolphin Arms Hills Road at 8 o'clock pm – upon the Body of a Male Infant Child found in Ashbys Garden on Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> by a workman, verdict a still born child name of the mother unknown. He afterwards received the Coroners warrant for the Burial of the Body – he procured a box and the Sextan of St Andrews Church Buried it in the Church Yard of that Parish at 11½ pm Witness P.C. T. Rockett 24.

[entry in the Superintendent's hand]

[ A report of the inquest into the child's death appeared in the Cambridge Chronicle on 24 March 1838 p.2. It was proved that the child had been still born and at the inquest the name of the mother emerged. She was charged with concealing the birth, but was discharged when she proved that there was no concealment and that the child's father had buried the body where it was found.]

**[P.C. to report]**

P.C. Bye ¾ of an hour late for duty came on his Beat at ¼ to 12.

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> to Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM			PM									
		10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
9	Richardson													
10	Sheldrick													
11	Clements													
12	Earl													

**Descriptions of horses supposed to be stolen**

Detained by the Police supposed to be stolen a Bay cob mare 14 hands high 7 or 8 years old white star on the forehead saddle mark on the back little white round the off hind fetlock joint, a square cut tail with a few light hairs. – also a Bay Cob Mare 14½ hands high 8 or 9 years old near hind fetlock white & switch tail – also a iron grey cart filly 2 years old hind legs white, little white on off fore fetlock joint long tail with a white Blaze on the Forehead 14 hands high without shoes.

[These horses had been found in the possession of Ambrose Smith (29) and Bosafand Brown, two "gypsy fiddlers" who were discharged but their horses were detained for a week while further enquiries were made about them – Cambridge Chronicle 24 March 1838 p3]

**Public Houses visited**

P.S. Rooke reports he visited the Publick Houses and Beer Shops in Barnwell found all in good order.

**Gipsy camp ordered to move**

P.S. Smith reports that Mr Headland Trumpington Road came to the Station at 2 pm to Complain of Gipseys that are at camp on Empty Common P.S. Smith and P.C. Richardson 9 went and ordered them to remove which they all promised to do in the Morning except one family which are unable to do so from Sickness.

**Fight prevented**

P.C. Robinson 17 reports he put a stop to a fight in George Street Barnwell 10½ pm.

**Report of Gas**

P.S. Watts reports the Gas burnt well during the night.

**Complaint of boys breaking windows**

Mr Howe came to complain of some Boys breaking his windows at his house in the Gravel Pits Barnwell he says the Boys are always Playing at pitch halfpenny on Saturday afternoons.

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM					
9	Richardson					2	3			20	Seabrook
10	Sheldrick					2	3			18	Anable
11	Clements					3				15	Rider
12	Earl	9	10	11		1	2	Attending the Hall		16	Benton

**Breaking windows**

Mr Smith Maids Causeway came to the Station to say that A Wooden Leg'd man the name of Jaraman living in Barnwell and another man unknown had thrown a stone at his window and broken two panes of glass, at 3 O'clock pm and wished them to be taken into custody.

**Orders for Police Constables**

The Whole of the Men to parade tomorrow morning at the Station at 8 o'clock – to keep order at the Hall & to prevent persons from going in, only the witnesses and those connected with the Court till the Judge has taken his seat – when the Sherriffs men will take that duty, and the Police Constables will be at liberty to go home.

[entry in the Superintendent's hand – refers to the forthcoming Assize]

**[P.C. leave]**

P.C. Hackney 2 hours leave

**Unnecessary interfering with County cases and neglecting the Town duty**

The Superint reports that in consequence of the Police interfering so much with County cases he finds the duty of the Town neglected.

[entry in the Superintendent's hand]

**Disorderly Collegian**

The Superint reports that a Collegian who Lodges at Mr Whites in Warwick Street threw an Orange at Mr Adcock Solicitor as he was going down the before named street and when spoken to upon the subject he spit at him. The Proctor was sent for who went up to the room where there was a Party of Gentn. Mr Adcock said he would have a warrant against the Party - to Morrow.

[entry in the Superintendent's hand]

**Two dogs lost**

P.C. Benton Reports that Mr H.H.Kater of Magdalene Coll Complain'd to him that a man riding in a Cart up St Neots Road Lives two miles other side of St Neots, enticed away two dogs belonging to him, one a Black Setter with brindled tan legs, a Chain Collar around his neck, with H.H. Kater Esq engraved on it, answers to the name of Smigtch. A White and red Setter, a Lether collar round his neck, answers to the Name of Sport, they were coupled with an Iron Couple with Swivels.

**Brass handles stolen**

P.S. Smith Reports that Several brass handles where broken of Garden Gates in Downing Terrace on Thursday Evening Last.

**Report of gas**

Gas in the Town Burnt well during the night.

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM							
15	Rider	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
20	Seabrook	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
16	Benton	Not reported himself								6	7	8	
18	Anable	At Station				Station							

***Enquiry after dogs***

Mr Kater of Magdelaine College sent to know if his dogs were found that were enticed away yesterday –

***Gipseys and their horses***

and the Gipsys called about their Horses to see if they were properly attended too.

***[Disturbance suppressed]***

P.C.21 Simkins Reports he Suppressed a Disturbance at William Haggars House at Shallows row at 10 pm.

***[Report of gas]***

Gas burned well during the night.

**P.C.s on Day duty Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> to Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
15	Rider	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
16	Benton	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
18	Anable	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
20	Seabrook	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

***P.C.21 Assaulted***

P.S. Watts Reports that a man the Name of Cook from Castle End was at Mr Hintons back of the Hall yesterday and had beer and disputed in paying for it when PC Simkins being present wished him to settle the Account before he left. Cook turn'd round and took P.C. Simkins by the eres, shook him, and knock'd his head against the wall, the P.C. took out his Staff and Struck Cook on the head with it and Accidentally broke two panes of Glass, Simkins was sober.

***Attempt at Burglary***

Inspr Green Reports that some person or persons attempted to force an entrance into the warehouse of Thos Young Grocer in King Street, last night – great violence must have been us'd as the hook upon which the door hung was driven out of the door stall, but there being a stout wood bar across the door they were prevented from accomplishing their object.

***Report of the night duty***

The whole of the Men went on duty at 9 pm – none sick – or absent.  
[entry by the Superintendent]

***Report of thieves***

P.S. Watts reports that Mr Bullace Orchard Street complains that some thieves climd his back wall and enterd his house on the night of the 19<sup>th</sup> Inst when he call'd out and they immediately left his premises.

***Disturbance***

P.C.17 Robinson reports he suppressd a disturbance in Sidney Street at 9½ pm

***Some wood found***

P.C.24 Rockett Reports he found A quantity of Wood on the common and brought it to the Station 12 am.

***Fight prevented***

P.C.10 Shildrick Reports he put a stop to a fight in Mill Lane at 11½ pm.

***Report of gas***

P.S.3 Smith Reports the Gas in Rose Cressent and Trinity Street went out by two o'clock am.

***Orders for the Inspectors on duty at the Station***

In future the Inspector on duty in the Station will enter in the Memo book the number of men who go out upon duty at 9 o'clock pm also at 11 o'clock pm and state if there be any Sick or absent.

[Entry on the Superintendent's hand]

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
18	Anable	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
16	Benton	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
20	Seabrook	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
15	Rider	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	

***[night duty]***

The whole of the Night Duty men were present at 9 o'clock

***P.C.11 to Report***

P.S.4 Watts reports that P.C.11 Clements did not report himself coming of duty at 7½ am 22<sup>nd</sup>. Also reports that P.C.11 came of duty at five minutes past 7 on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

***P.C.10 to report***

P.S.4 Watts reports that P.C.10 Sheldrick came of duty 20 minutes before his time.

***P.C.12 to report***

P.S.2 reports that P.C.12 Earl was absent from part of his Beat three quarters of an Hour from 12 pm.

***Report of 11 o'clock Men***

The Whole of the Men where present for night duty at 11 pm.

***[Report of Gas]***

The gas burnd well during the night.

***Stolen Horse and the thief given up to Sgt Watts***

P.S.4 Watts Reports he was sent for by Mr Hallack to the Bull Inn to take in charge a man the name of Elijah Lilley for Horse Stealing, was Apprehended in Edmonton, brought down by P.S. Craig of that station and handed over to me before Mr Mortlock County Magistrate, the Stolen Mare his the property of Mr Buttler of Harlton the Prisoner is remanded till Saturday.

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> to Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
15	Rider	9	10	11	12	hall	2	3	4	5	6	7		9
16	Benton	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6		8	
18	Anable	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
20	Seabrook	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

***Report of the night duty***

The 9 and 11 o'clock men all came on duty except P.C.21 Simkin who sent to say he was sick and unfit for duty at 8½ pm.

**Disturbance**

P.S.3 Smith reports he suppress'd a disturbance at 11½ pm in Bridge Street.

**Ditto**

P.C.19 Tyler reports he suppressd a disturbance in the Petty Cury at 1½ am.

**Ditto**

P.C.7 Bye reports he suppress'd a disturbance in Binders Row Barnwell at 2 am.

**Report of the gas**

The gas burn'd well during the night.

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM										
15	Rider	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
16	Benton	9	10	11	12	1	Market Hill								9	
18	Anable	9	10	11	12		Market Hill									
20	Seabrook	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		

**Night duty**

The men for duty at 9 o'clock were all Present

**Robbery Thief escaped**

Stolen from Mr Moor Castle End on Friday night last 9 Fowles by a Boy Name George Pool – he was about sending them to London by Swans Waggon – when at the Dog & Gun Castle End, he went out to fetch a man to prove he had bought the Fowles and made his escape.

**Refusing to pay the market toll**

Mr Gifford, Butcher refused to pay for his Stall and P.C. Anable was ordered to take a quarter of Mutton. He then paid.

**Fire under a stall**

Some person set fire to some straw underneath a Stall. P.C. Anable put out the fire.

**11 o'clock duty**

The Men for duty at 11 o'clock were all present.

**Malicious damage**

P.C.7 Bye reports that A grate quantity of fencing was pulled down in Eaden Walk at 3 am he herd the noise and followed the party but was unable to find who they were.

**Report of gas**

The Gas Burned well during the night.

**Disturbance stopped**

P.C.16 Benton Reports he put A Stop to A Disturbance in Sidney St at 4 o'clock pm.

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> to Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM									
15	Rider	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
16	Benton	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
18	Anable	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
20	Seabrook	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	

**Malicious damage**

P.S. Watts reports that several persons living in Eden walk & New Square have been to complain that the fencing opposite their houses has been maliciously destroyed last night and the night before P.C.11 Clements reports he heard a noise in Eden Walk at 2 o'clock on Friday morning.

**P.C.7 to report**

P.C. Bye was on the Beat both nights and made no report yesterday morning.

**Complaint**

The School Master at the National School on the East Road, came to complain that some rude Boys from 16 to 18 years of Age are in the constant habit of annoying the Children by throwing Stones at them and making use of obscene language when the children are on the play ground. The Constable on the Station House Beat to visit that part every Hour and to see the School Master.

**[Night duty]**

The men all came for duty tonight.

**P.C. to report**

P.C. Bye to be reported for not attending properly to his duty on Friday night some fencing was torn down and not reported by him, also on Saturday night and he did not try to take the Parties into custody.

**Public Houses Reported**

The Superint reports he Visited the Public Houses in Newnham during the hours of divine Service and found all in good order.

**No report of the Public Houses being Visited**

No report has been made by Mr Green or Sgt Stearn that the Public Houses were visited yesterday. [entry by the Superintendent]

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM									
15	Rider	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	P.C.14 Richardson
16	Benton	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	P.C.17 Robinson
18	Anable	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	P.C.19 Tyler
20	Seabrook	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	P.C.21 Simkin

**Report of night duty**

The whole of the men went on duty at 9 & 11 o'clock.

**Report of gas**

P.S.2 Stearn reports the Gas burnt well during the night.

**Beer House open late**

P.C.9 Richardson Reports the John Bull beer shop Burleigh Street open at 12 pm with 4 persons therein. Saw no beer landlord name, Robert Chapman.

**Shutters found open**

P.C.8 Hackney Reports the door & shutters of the Blue Coat beer shop Regent St unfastend. No persons or any thing in the house except 7 barrells of Ale. Over-written by the Superintendent "at what time and what steps were taken" and the following has been added to the entry "at 9 pm left all safe when he came off duty at 4 am".

**Robbery**

P.S. 2 Stearn reports that Mr Edwards of Hadleigh Suffolk was Robbed at Walden Fair on Saturday last of 37 pounds by a Female whom he described to P.S.2. Made enquirey but could gain no information of the party.

**Nuisance**

P.C.5 Garner Reports he saw Mr Robinson at Castle End empty some Night soil on the road at 10½ pm. Over-written “to be summoned”

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
14	Js Richardson	9	10	11	12			3	4	5	6	7		
17	Robinson	9	10	11	12			3	4	5	6	7		
19	Tyler	9	10	11	12			3	4	5	6	7		
21	Simkin	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		

**[Request to see the Superintendent]**

Mr Aleph Palmer requests to see the Superintendent

**Robbery**

Mr Vice Chancellor sent to the Station for a P.C. to go to his Lodge as a piece of Beef weighing 16 lbs was stolen from his larder between 4 & 5 pm. Suspects a tall Gipsy woman by the name of Shaw with a Green plaid cloak and velvet bonnet who has frequently been there begging. She was seen in the (Downing) College ground but did not apply for relief as usual, the larder was not lock'd. P.C. Simkin was sent and with the servant went to the lodging houses in Barnwell in order to look for the woman. The thief left the larder door open.

**9 o'clock men**

The men for duty at 9 were all present.

**Orders for the P.C.s**

Half of the men who come off duty at 4 to parade at the Station in plain Clothes at 11, and patrole till 1 o'clock, the other half parade at 1, and patrole till 3 pm and take into custody all loose Idle People - this to be done till the Town is cleared of Beggars.

[Possibly this was a response to the allegation of a beggar having stolen the Vice Chancellor's beef]

**Shutters found open**

P.C.25 Smith reports he found Mr Hunts shutters in Green St open at 1 am but could make no person hear.

**Report of Gas**

Gas burn'd well during the night.

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

**[Lost dog]**

Mr Domville of Christs College came to say that he lost a liver & white color'd spaniel dog on Midsummer Common on Monday last – the dog answers to the name of Carlo.

No	Names	AM				PM								
14	Richardson	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
17	Robinson	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
19	Tyler	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	Barnwell	9	
21	Simkin	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

**Suspicious persons**

Mr Wilderspin Baker of New Town complains of a Boy name Wm Day of Wellington Row in company with others have been lurking about his Premises this evening he believes for the Purpose of Committing a felony. J.Watts

**Ditto**

P.S.4 Watts that Mr Levitt of Regent Street at 10 pm saw a man dressed in a light coloured Jacket get over Mr Watts Timber Merchant Gate in Regent Street and afterwards to go towards East Road. P.S.4 & P.C.8 Hackney informed Mr Watts Clerk of it he came with the keys and examined the Premises found all correct a man name John Blanks a sawyer is suspected as he was met about that time on East Road going towards Barnwell

**Night duty**

The men for duty at 9 & 11 o'clock pm were all present.

**Report of the gas**

P.C.25 Smith report the gas was out on Trumpington Road when he went on duty at 9 pm. The gas in the Town burn'd well during the night.

**[Nuisance]**

P.C.19 Tyler reports that Chas Gates emptyd some night soil in Gold Street St Andrew the Less at 11 o'clock am.

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM								
14	J. Richardson	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
17	Robinson	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
19	Tyler	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
21	Simkin	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

**Complaint**

Mr De Botchier came to complain that some person cut down a vine from his door in Willow walk last night.

**Robbery**

Last night some persons enter'd the back premises of Mr Wisdom and Mr Anthony Fitzroy St and stole from a safe in the yard ½ a cheese, a large piece of cook'd pork and all the beer in a 9 gallon cask and stole the brass tap. Also from Mr Anthony's yard 2 Shirts from the linen line some persons who had been in the day time after cinder dust are suspected.

**Vagrant relieved**

The Supt relieved Robert Brown with 6d.

**Chimney on fire**

P.C.10 reports that Mr [gap left] Chimney was on fire in Cambridge place and assisted to put it out at [gap left] pm.

**Shutters left open**

P.C.16 Benton reports he found Mr Eadens shutters in Bridge Street unfastnd at 3½ am did not call them but left all safe

**Lamp broken**

P.C.11 reports he heard a lamp broken in Downing College & informed the porter of it he knew the party.

**Shutters found open**

P.C. Garner reports he found Mr Chapmans shutters in Burleigh St open at 12 pm and shoes in the window he call'd them and they were thankful.

**Garden gate open**

P.C.18 reports that some persons at 3¾ am broke Mr Haylocks Garden door in New Town and call'd them up nothing was lost.

**P.C.10 and another to report**

It is reported to Insp Green that two of the men yesterday morning who were not sober when they came off duty went to Binders Row and got very drunk and when expostulated with as to the impropriety of their conduct by a person on horse-back P.C.10 who was one of the two, threw him off his horse, on to the paling.

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> March 1838**

**[Inspector Green to report]**

Inspector Green neglected attending the Hall with the charge sheet also to warn the P.C.s to be at the Hall with their Prisoners at 11 o'clock am.

This has been crossed diagonally through and beneath is added in the same hand "Inspector Green had no orders to that effect"

No	Names	AM				PM								
14	Js Richardson	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
17	Wm Robinson	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
19	English Tyler	9	10	11	12½	1	2	3½	4	5	6	7		9
21	Thos Simkin	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

**Orders for the P.C. at Barnwell**

The P.C. on the Barnwell Beat to be ordered to visit Binders row every hour and report he has done so at the Station House.

**Complaint**

Mr Pearson of Annesley Place Complains of some person ringing his Bell and breaking his window at 1½ am.

**Garden gate broke**

Mr Haylock of Annesley Place complains of some Person breaking his Garden gate off the hinges some time during last night.

**Disturbance suppressed**

P.C.17 Robinson reports he suppress'd a disturbance in Sidney Street at 6 pm.

**Destitute persons relieved**

Four destitute persons were relieved with 6d each by the Superintendent, Viz. James Harrison of Manchester, Saml Butler, Wm. Due and Wm. Camps of Witchford, Isle of Ely.

**Robbery**

P.C.14 Jas Richardson reports that two Boys went into Mr Diarls Baker Shop in St Marys Street at 7½ pm and stole the till with a few Halfpence in the servant girl saw them leave the shop would know them again the till was afterwards found in Senate House Passage.

Over-written " John Lane and George Thurlow were taken into custody by P.C.14 J Richardson for the Robbery and fully committed to take their trials at the Sessions."

[James Lane (16) and George Thurlow (15) convicted for this offence at the Cambridge Town Sessions – Lane transported for seven years, Thurlow six months hard labour. Cambridge Chronicle 7 April 1838 p2]

**Complaint of Police Lack**

Mr Cattey Radegund Buildings complains of 3 or 4 men standing about his house last night for near an hour from 12 to 1 o'clock they took the Gate off the hinges next his house and put it against his door the P.C. never came near during that time or made any report of it in the morning P.C.24 Rockett was on that Beat.

**Shutters found unfastened**

P.C.20 Seabrooke reports he found Mr Radford shutters in Mill lane unfastened at 11¾ pm he call'd them up and they thankd him

**Nuisance**

P.C.10 Sheldrick reports he saw Saml Thompson of St Andrews Street empty some night soil in the run of water opposite his house at 10½ pm.  
Over-written “to be summoned”

**Shutters found unfastened**

P.C.15 Rider report that he found Mr Hatcarton shutters in George Street Barnwell unfastened at 12 pm he calld them up & they thankd him.

**Alarm of thieves**

Also reports that Mr Brown of George St Barnwell heard some Person on his premises. P.C.15 went with him and examined the Premises but could find no person there.

**Report of Gas**

The gas burnd very well during the night.

**Slings found**

P.C. Hackney 8 reports he found a pair of Brewers slings in Bridge Street 12 am brought them to the Station. At 7 am a man belonging to Mr Ellistone & Nutter came and took them away.

**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> March to Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April 1838**

No	Names	AM				PM									
14	Js Richardson	9	10	11	12	Market Hill							8		
17	Robinson	9	10	11	12									9 ½	
19	Tyler	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6			9	
21	Simkin	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	

**Complaint**

Mr Haylock, Druggist in Sussex Street complains of Persons annoying him every Evening by standing about the Door throwing gravel at his window & making use of base language and wished for the attention of the Police. The man on the Market Hill Beat to look to that part at ¼ before 9 every Evening [entry in the Superintendent’s hand]

**Nuisance**

Fredric Goudge left his cart standing opposite Mr Wheeler’s door in Petty Cury for near 3 hours from 9 till 12. Mr Wheeler witness. Reported by P.C.6 Fynn.  
Over-written “to be summoned”

**Disturbance Market Hill**

P.S.2 Reports he put a stop to several disturbances on the Market Hill during the night about 10 o’clock pm.

**Malicious Damage**

P.C.26 reports that some persons unknown pulld down some paling in Eden Walk about 12 o’clock also that he put a stop to a fight in Eden Walk at 2 am.

**Door found open**

P.C. Richardson reports Mr Clayton’s passage door was left open all night and he left it safe in the morning.

**[Report of gas]**

The Gas burn’d well during the night.