

# Cambridge Borough Police, Station House Journal, October 1837

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> to Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 1837

## ***Public Houses Visited***

Insp Green & P.S. Smith report that the public houses in Barnwell Castle End and Newnham were in good order from 11 to 1 pm.

## ***Disturbance prevented***

P.C. Clements reports that he suppressed a disturbance in St Andrews Court at 11 pm

## ***Shutters open***

P.S. Stearn reports at 11 ½ Mr Nutters Shutters in Emmanuel Lane were open at 11 ½ pm he called him.

## ***Deranged person***

P.C. Ringwood reports that Mr Phillips at the Paul Pry in a state of derangement jumped out of the window and was secured in a neighbors house.

Over-written "What time did this occur?" to which is added "5 o'clock am"

## ***Report of Gas***

PS Watts reports the gas in the town burnt well during the night and was not put off till daylight

## ***P.C. to report***

P.S. Rooke reports that he did not see P.C. Bidwell from ¼ to 7 till ¼ to 8 pm when he found him he was gossiping with a female on the Market Hill.

## ***Ditto***

The Sergeant found P.C. Bidwell gossiping on the Market Hill with some men at ¼ to 12 - and without his Armet.

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 1837

## ***Disorderly persons***

P.C. s Hackney and Ballard report that on Sunday afternoon 1st Inst about 5 o'clock there was a great Mob of drunken & disorderly persons assembled in East Road at the end of New Street, two of whom they brought to the Station House. There were some hundreds of them who defied the Police & such disgraceful scenes frequently occur on Sundays in consequence of the Beer shops in the neighbourhood being open all the Sunday afternoon.

## ***[Destitute woman with children in Van returned to Cambridge]***

Mrs Elizabeth Pointer with 4 children and her Van were brought back to Cambridge by Wm. Low of Barnwell by order of Mr. Metcalf a Magistrate. Arrived between 10 and 11 pm

## ***Report of Gas***

P.S. Rooke reports the town lamps burnt well during the night and were put out at daylight.

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 1837

## ***P.C. 14 to report***

Insp Green reports that he was on P.C. 14 J. Richardson's beat one hour ¼ of which time he was gossiping with some person at the end of Wellington Row. I believe the other person was the P.C. on the adjoining beat P.C. 24 Rocket.

## ***Report of gas***

PS Smith reports the Town Lamps burnt well during the night and were put out at daylight

### **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

#### ***Complaint***

Complaint has been made by one of the Watch Committee, that on Saturdays Silver Street is much blockd up with Carts left standing there, - the owners to be warned that they must not leave their Carts so, - more than one hour, & if they persist, the names to be taken, that summonses may be issued against them.

Over-written in the Superintendent's hand "The sergeants on the Day duty will attend to this complaint as they will be held responsible"

#### ***Report of gas***

P S Rooke reports the town lamps burnt well during the night and were put out at daylight

#### ***A Person summoned under the Street Act***

The Supt. went to Newmarket to serve a Summons upon a Man Name Wm. Hoy for bringing a Woman with four children in a van on Thursday the 21st of Sept and setting them down & leaving them on the turnpike road.

#### ***Complaint***

Mrs Maxey of Bennett Place Downing Terrace came to the Station to say some one had broken down some stone work in front of her House, about 12 o'clock on Tuesday night - P.C. Benton was on the Beat and he believes it to be some Gents who had been spending the evening at that House

### **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> to Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

#### ***Orders relating to the Gas lights***

The Sergeant on the night duty will report all those gas lights which have not a light three inches broad from Sun set to Sun rise, by order of the Surveyor - Mr. Smith.

#### ***Ditto reporting nuisances in the Publick Streets***

The Sergeants on the day duty must be more particular respecting carts standing in the Streets - & hampers &c being placed in front of shops & order them to be taken away, and report all them who do not immediately comply with the order.

#### ***Horse ran away with a Cart***

P.C. Richardson reports that Mr W.H.Smith's horse ran away with a cart laden with deals and upset a barrow with fruit and vegetables the property of Phillips of Chesterton.

#### ***Shutters open***

P.C. Pond reports he found Mr Thompsons Shutters in Bridge St Open at 12 pm could not make them hear left all safe 5 ½ am.

#### ***Window insecure***

P.C. Rider reports that the windows of a house in Park Street were left insecure at 12 ½ am he call'd them and they were thankful.

#### ***Report of Gas***

P.S.Smith reports that the gas burnt well all night and was put out at daylight

#### ***Disturbance at the Hoop***

P.C. 7 Bye reports that Mr Ekin at the Hoop Inn sent for him from the Market Hillat 5 ½ pm to quell a disturbance at his house.

### **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

**Robbery**

P.C. 16 Benton reports about 9 o'clock pm Mr Wisdom Draper of New Square informed him he had been robbed of about 12 yards of cotton print – blue ground & yellow spot – saw some man with a flannel jacket & cap on take it away – but could not catch him, he made towards Burleigh St.

**Report of Gas**

P.S.Rooke reports the Town Lamps burnt well during the night and were put out at daylight

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October 1837****Report of Gas**

P.S.Smith reports the gas burn'd well all night and was put out at daylight

**Fight prevented**

P.C. Ballard reports he put a stop to a fight in Trumpington St at 12 ½ am. P.C. Earl reports he put a stop to a fight in Park Street at 1 ¼ am.

**Shutters found open**

P.C. Pond reports he found Mr Frosts Shutters in Bridge Street unfastned at 2 am he call'd them and they were thankful

**Nuisances prevented**

P.S. Watts reports that he attended in Silver Street and prevented the carts standing therein.

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> to Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 1837****Bail allowed**

The Supt will allow bail to be taken for George Woolner.

**Public Houses visited**

The Supt & Mr Inspr Corbyn visited the public houses in Barnwell during the Hours of Divine Service and found them all in good order.

**Report of a robbery – property found**

P.S. Stearn reports he was called into the Beer Shop of Mr Fromant by Mr Boutell who said he was robbed of a Handkerchief – the P.S. found the handkf on the floor -

**Public Houses visited**

[P.S. Stearn] also reports he visited the Public Houses up Castle End & Newnham & found them all correct.

**Report of Gas**

P.S.Rooke reports the Town Lamps burnt well during the night and were put out at daylight

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 1837****A Person summoned for a nuisance under the Street Act**

William Hoy of Newmarket was summoned before the Mayor and H.Headly Esq for leaving a Van with a Woman and four children upon the Newmarket Road for a longer time than allowed by law on 21st September last. The case being proved he was fined 20/- and 29/3d costs or be imprisoned 14 days. [Poor Mrs Ponter and her children were passed from place to place no doubt to avoid the cost to the local guardians of relieving them. The case was reported in the Cambridge Chronicle October 7 1837 page 2, concluding with the description of the whole episode as one of trickery and low cunning]

**Nuisance Streets Act**

P.C. 18 reports that at 10 pm there was a horse and cart the property of Thos Ellwood of Trumpington

standing in Union Street two hours, no person with it.

***Disturbance stopped***

P.C. 24 reports that at 12 pm he put a stop to a disturbance and fight in King Street.

***Report of Gas***

P.S. Stearn reports that the gas of several lamps in the town went out before 3am and P.S. Watts reports that the light was greatly diminished from 1am.

***Beer House open late***

P.S. Watts reports that the Smuglers beer shop was open at 4 am but very orderly. Over-written "leave for one hour".

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

***Dog stolen & refuse to give it up***

Mrs Brand Widow complained that Mr Addison of New Square has got a dog belonging to her & refuses to give it up – Mr A. was informed by the Police to give up the dog or a summons would be issued against him.

***Wall damaged by a Horse and Cart.***

Mr Wallis coal merchant's Boy left his Cart near Mr Barbers (schoolmaster) wall for a few minutes while he took some coals in, & the horse ran the Cart against Mr Barbers wall & broke it – Mr Wallis is willing to make good the damage – Mr B detained the Horse & Cart for 2 or 3 hours.

***Lantern missing***

P.S. Watts reports No 6 lantern can not be found – [then in a different hand] it was at Macintosh's to be rep'd & is returned.

***Drunken man taken to the Paul Pry***

P.C. Rocket reports that Mr Day of Histon was taken off his beat very drunk to the Paul Pry in Portugal Place by a friend of his at 2 ½ o'clock am.

***Report of Gas***

P.S. Stearn reports the Town Lamps burnt rather dull during the night

***Robbery***

On Monday the 2nd of October a Boy name Samson went to the shop of Mrs. Sirett who deals in Cheese and Plum Pudding, and while in conversation with her, in the back room one of his companions stole from the shop a Cheese and Plum Pudding. Mrs. Sirett is very near blind and did not know of the robbery till her husband came home and counted the cheese. The Supt. wishes that Samson should be apprehended whenever seen abroad the street as he is subsisting on plunder.

***[P.C. Anable – cart in Union Street]***

The Supt wishes to see Anable respecting his report of the cart standing in Union Street – for more than 2 hours on the night of the 9<sup>th</sup> Inst. [this in the Superintendent's hand]

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

***[Robbery]***

Joseph Day, Blucher Row, came to say that a boy name Wm Johnson stole some spice cakes from Wm. Day, his son, at Sturbridge Fair wishes him to be taken he may be found at the Brickilns, Sturbridge Fair Green in company with Sampson who also stole some spice cakes from Wm. Day at the same time.

***Disturbance prevented***

P.S. Watts reports that he with P.C. 26 put a stop to a disturbance in Union Row New Town at 11 ¼ pm.

***Night soil nuisance***

P.C. 8 reports Hilsdon and his son of Castle End were both drunk at 11 pm and were emptying night soil from New Square and spill'd it about the street - they were very abusive when told of it.

***Report of Gas***

P.S.Stearn reports that the Gas burn'd well all night and was put out at daylight

***Disturbance suppressed***

P.C. 12 Earl reports he suppress'd a disturbance on East Road at ½ past 7 pm.

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

***Robbery***

P.C. Pond reports that a piece of bed ticking was stolen supposed on Saturday last from Mr Bakers shop on the Market Hill about 80 yards. Mr Bakers man went to the different pawn brokers' shops but could not hear anything of it.

Over – written "Was the property left outside the shop" to which is added, "Cancelled – the bed tick not stolen"

***Fight prevented***

P.C. 13 Ballard reports he put a stop to a fight in the Sun Hotel yard at 4 ½ o'clock pm.

***Robbery of lead***

P.C. Spinks reports that Mr Catley of Jesus Lane has had some lead stolen from his out house a few nights since about 2/- worth.

***Report of Beer House***

The Earl Grey Beer Shop in King Street – was open after 12 o'clock am & the tap room full of men drinking & smoking. J.C.

Over-written "explained".

***Report of Gas***

The Town lamps burnt rather dull during the night the flame not being more than 2 or 2¼ inches at 8'o'clock but clear moonlight. J.C.

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

***Robbery Chesterton***

Mr. Riddle of Chesterton came to say his Windmill was broken into last night and 40 stone or more of flour stolen therefrom in 4 or 5 sacks. The sacks were mark'd with red chalk names in full - they are poor people's sacks who had brought their glean'd corn to be ground - he suspects some persons at Castle End to have been concerned.

***Report of dogs a nuisance***

P.C. Rider reports that [it] is very unsafe for any person to pass down Silver Street on account of 3 dogs kept by Mr Collier at the 3 Crowns.

***Report of Gas***

PS Stearn reports that the gas burnd well all night

***Fight prevented***

P.C. Richardson reports that he put a stop to a fight on the Newmarket Road at 11 ¾ pm.

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

**Robbery**

Mr Aleph Palmer states that sometime last night two sucking pigs were slaughtered & taken from his farm yard – every means were taken to find out the thieves but hitherto without success.

**Fight prevented**

P.C. G. Richardson reports he put a stop to a fight up Castle End at 10 ½ pm.

**Ditto at Beer Shop**

P.C. Garner reports he put a stop to a disturbance at 11 ½ pm at a Beer Shop kept by Jas Carter in Castle Street.

**Report of Gas**

PS Stearn reports the Town Lamps burnt well during the night

**Cart in the Street one hour and upwards**

P.S. Smith reports that a Cart was left standing without a horse by the side of the Church Wall Gt St Andrews for three hours from 11am to 3 pm belonging to Mr Gotobed of Stretham.  
Over-written "to be summoned"

**P.C. 19 and 20 sick**

P.S. Watts reports P.C. 20 Seabrook went home sick at 11 ½ pm & P.C. Tyler at 3 o'clock am.

**Fight prevented**

P.S. Watts reports he put a stop to a fight on the East Road at ¼ past 12 o'clock.

**Ditto**

P.C. Hackney reports that at half past 1 o'clock he put a stop to a fight on Maids Causeway with some Printers.

**Ditto**

P.C. Simkin reports he put a stop to a fight on the East Road at 6 o'clock pm.

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> to Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 1837****Mr Corbyn resigned**

Mr. John Corbyn has resigned his situation as Inspector of Police he having taken a Public House - Sergeant Rooke will take his duty as Inspector till further orders in the room of Mr. Corbyn.

**Public Houses to Report**

Mr Huniban at the Sun had three persons drinking in his tap at 20 minutes before 12 am. Mr [gap left] at the Anchor at the back of the Hall 3 men smoking and drinking at 5 minutes before 12 am. This last sentence over-written "Explained".

**Report of Gas**

PS Stearn reports the gas durn'd well during the night

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 1837****Orders for Sgt Rooke**

Sergt Rooke will be very particular and make [a] minute of every thing that occurs during the time he is on duty in the Station. [This entry in the Superintendent's hand]

**Shutters not fastened**

P.C. Howlett 6 reports that the Shutters of Mr Smith in Regent Terrace was not fastned he could not make them hear he look to it during the night left it safe at 5 ½ am.

**Report of Gas**

PC Hull 26 reports the Town Lamps gave a good light during the night

**Shutters not fastened**

P.C. Faircloth reports that the Shutters of Mr Wisemans House in Jesus Lane not fastned he call'd them up they were thankful 12 am.

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

**Fine for an assault not paid**

About 6 months since Wm Low Junr. was fined £4 for a violent and brutal assault upon one of the P.C.s. when in the execution of his duty, he promis'd to pay £1 per month - it is near 3 months since he paid any. 2£s only have been paid. Insp Green has many times applied to him for the money without success.

**Saml Turner & his booth**

P.C. Rider reports that he was requested by Saml Turner to pay attention to his Waggon laden with goods at the weighing machine in the Haymarket from 12 till 12 ½ noon.

**Fight prevented**

P.C. 25 reports he put a stop to a fight at the Black Bear Inn in Market St at 11pm.

**Shutters not fastened**

P.C. 22 reports he found the shutters of Mr Goodes house St John St unfastned at 2 o'clock they were calld and were thankful.

**Door found open**

P.C. 6 reports he found the door of Mr Smith's house in Regent St open at 12 – they were calld and were thankful.

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

The P.C. No 10 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Section 8<sup>th</sup> beat was only visited once during the night – what was the reason – engaged in Barnwell J.T. [this entry in the Superintendent's hand].

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

**Disorderlies**

P.S. Stearn reports at 7 ½ pm he dispersed a number of persons that had assembled in Sidney St on account of an accident that happened to James Juler that had fell down and cut his head he being drunk.

**Suspicious character**

P.C. Howlett 6 reports the Inhabitants in Regent Street informed him that a man in a smock frock was lurking about and trying the back Gates of there houses at 11 ½ am he looked out for him but could not find him.

**Shutters not fastened**

At 1 am found the bolt & bar belonging to Mr Goldsmith Regent Street was pulled down he examined the window and found all safe put up the bar and secured it.

**Report of Gas**

PC Hull 26 reports the Town gas burnt well during the night

**Report from Sgt Watts note made**

Sgt Watts [h]as not made the report he was sent about by the Superintendent or has he been seen during the afternoon at the Station House – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October. [this entry in the Superintendent's

hand].

#### **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

##### ***Bon fire put out***

P.C. Benton reports that he put out a bonfire on Parkers piece at 7 pm and put a stop to a disturbance with boys there.

##### ***Disorderlies***

P.C. Rider reports he put a stop to a disturbance on the Market Hill at 9pm. Simkin reports he put a stop to a fight in the Ram Yard Bridge St at 11 ½ pm

##### ***Ditto***

P.C. 9 reports he put a stop to a disturbance and fight at the Butchers Arms Barnwell at 10 ½ pm.

##### ***Windows of the Van broken on Parkers Piece***

P.C. 24 Rocket reports that Mr Searl of Pembroke Hall threw three stones at a Van standing on the Common three squares were broken at 11 ½ pm.

##### ***Report of Gas***

PS Smith reports that the gas burnt well during the night and was put out at daylight

#### **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October 1837**

##### ***Charge Sheet not to be taken away till ¼ 11***

The Inspectors will have the goodness not to take away the charge sheet in a morning till ¼ before 11 when they take away the Prisoners [This entry, in the Superintendent's hand, gives an insight into the way that prisoners were processed – with a daily charge sheet listing all the prisoners, rather than more recent practice of a charge sheet per prisoner]

##### ***Robbery***

P.C. Robinson 17 reports that Mrs Warren in the Petty Cury sent her little boy on Wednesday at 4 pm to the University Arms with a shirt a pr of stockings and Handkerchiefs. He was stoped by a man name unknown who robbed him of the same.

##### ***[Beer Cask lost on Parkers Piece]***

P.S. Watts reports that Mr Chivers of Cottenham a few days since lost a Beer Cask from Parkers Piece mark J.C. with red paint and wishes to know whether any of the P.C.s saw anything of it.

##### ***Box lost from a Van and Restored to the owner***

P.C. Clements 11 reports that a box containing Females wearing apparel value four or five Pound was lost from Deacons Van at 6 ½ am on the Trumpington Road. [H]e found the same in the possession of Wm Lum Hyde Park Corner. [H]e took it to the owner and she was thankful.

##### ***Fight prevented***

P.C. Richardson 14 reports that he put a stop to a fight between Mr Lowe and another man near Judds Passage at 7 ½ pm.

##### ***Report of Gas***

P S Watts reports the Town Lamps burned well during the night

##### ***Gate and Window found open***

P.C. Garner 5 reports that at 1 ½ am he found Mr Guntons in New Square back gate and Kitchen window open he call'd them up and they were thankful.

**Saturday 21th to Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 1837**

***Disorderlies***

P.C. 17 reports he suppress'd several disturbances during the day. Hackney reports he put a stop to a disturbance in East Road at 10 ½ pm and in New St at the beer shop call'd every house in the Town kept by Mr Shearing.

***Beer House open to report***

P.C. Rocket reports he saw a person leave the Hoops beer house Bradmore place Barnwell with 3 quarts of beer at 2 am.

***Fight prevented***

P.S. Reports that he put a stop to a fight on Midsummer Common at 2 am also with the assistance of Pcs. 8 and 13 cleared several houses in Parker's and Brown's Rookerys of many disorderlies. Two reputed thieves were brought to the station and lock'd up.

***Disorderly Beer House***

Inspr Green reports that Mrs Shearing requested he would clear her house of a drunken man who refused to pay [for] his beer at 12 ¾ which was done. P.S. Smith reports there were several persons drinking there at 3 ½ am – also there was a disturbance in the Street at the same time. Over-written "fined 40/- and license forfeited 10 Nov 37"

***Beer House to Report***

Inspr Green reports there were 9 persons drinking at the Dog & Partridge Barnwell at 1 am

***Prisoner sent to the Hospital***

P.C. 15 Rider reports he was sent for by the Mayor at 6 pm to remove a man who had been standing at his door 3 or 4 hours. The man was admitted to the Infirmary being much diseas'd.

***[Sergeants not making report of Gas]***

The Sergeants have not made any report of the gas [This entry in the Superintendent's hand]

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 1837**

***Beer House visited***

P.S. Rooke reports he visited the Public Houses and Beer Shops in Barnwell found all correct.

***Ditto***

P.S. Stearn reports he visited the Public Houses and Beer Shops at Newnham & Castle End and found them all in good order.

***Shutter unfastened***

P.S. Smith reports that he found Mr Marshs Shutters and Window in Sun Street Barnwell unfastned at 2 ½ am he called them up and they were thankful.

***Ditto***

P.C. Howlett reports that the Shutters of Mr Leachs House in St Andrew Street were unfastned at 12 ½ am he knock'd at the door could not make them hear. [L]eft all safe when he came off the beat at 5 ½ am.

***Report of Gas***

P S Watts reports the gas burnd well during the night was put out at Day light.

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

P.S.3 reports that P.C. 6 was asleep on the step of a door in Regent Terrace at 12 o'clock. Over-written "Admonished"

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> to Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

***Disturbance prevented***

P.C. 7 Bye reports he put a stop to [a] disturbance in George St St Andrews the Less at 1 am..

***Preventing fireworks in the Street***

P.C. 23 Faircloth reports that he prevented some Gentlemen letting off squibs in Trinity Lane at ½ past 10 pm.

***Report of Gas***

P S 4 Watts reports the Gas burnt well during the night and was put out at daylight

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

***Reports of thieves in brick kilns***

Mr. Thurston sent to the Station to say that Wm Sampson and several other Thieves may be found at his brick-kiln any night after 12 o'clock. Mr. Thurston to be let known when any person is found there by the Police.

***P.C.s to parade on Thursday***

The whole of the Constables will parade on Thursday at three o'clock with their Gt Coats and Boots and will be inspected by the Committee. [This entry in the Superintendent's hand]

***P.C.s to patrol the Town***

Let 4 P.C.s be ordered to patrol the Town from 11 till 1 o'clock till further orders – take those men who come off at 4 o'clock. [This entry in the Superintendent's hand] .

***Disorderlies***

P.C. Howlett reports he put a stop to a disturbance in Northampton Street at ¼ past 10 pm.

***Door found open***

P.C. Ballard 154 reports he found Mr Gillson the Hair Dressers door in the Petty Cury standing open he call'd them up and examined the room and found all right. they were much obliged to him 3 ½ am.

***Fight prevented***

P.C. Benton 16 reports he stopped a fight in Trumpington Street 12 ½ am.

***Robbery***

P.S. Watts reports that Mr Hoods Shop on Maids Causeway was robb'd of 9/6 in the Evening about 7 o'clock. it was taken out of the till. suspects a Sailor looking man that came into the shop under the pretence of buying something.

***Nuisance***

P.C. Garner reports that he saw a Woman come out of a house on Kings Street at ¼ past 10 pm and empty a chamber pot of filth on the road and cover it over with rubbish. P.S. Watts told him to enquire her name. Added in a different hand "it is Cooper".  
Over-written "to be summoned"

***Public House to report***

P.S. Watts reports he visited the Spotted Cow Beer Shop in the Black ditch and found the Rooms full of Persons drinking they said it was on account of their Son going to leave the town 11½ pm

***Report of Gas***

P S Watts reports the Gas burnt well during the night

***Surgeon Green to attend the sick men***

Mr Surgeon Green in the Market Street is elected to attend upon the police when any of them are sick, who are at all times when able to be at his surgery at 10 o'clock in a morning. J. Titterton [This entry in the Superintendent's hand]

***[Application for the services of the police]***

Application was made by E. [Foster?] Attorney for a Constable to proceed to Swafham Fen to make enquiry after some robbery which had been committed at the House of Mr Chambers at a lone house – which was allowed. Sgt Stearn went. [This entry in the Superintendent's hand]

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

***Refusing to Billet Soldiers***

P.C. 10 Ellis reports that at 10pm three of the third Dragoon Guards were billeted to the Kings Head Barnwell Mr Cross landlord, he refuse'd to take them in or to find them lodgings. P.S. 2 procur'd lodgings for them at the George Barnwell.

***Fight suppressed***

P.C. Ballard reports he suppressed a fight in the Butcher Row Market place at 9 ½ pm.

***Shutters found open***

P.C. Faircloth reports he found Mr Wilderspains Shutters in Green Street open at 11 ½ pm he call'd they were thankful.

***Report of Gas***

P S Watts reports the Gas burnd well during the night

***[Sgt Stearn returned]***

Sgt Stearn returned & went on duty same night. [This entry in the Superintendent's hand]

***Complaints about Waggons standing in the Streets***

Complaint was made to the Superintendent that Carts and Waggons are often left in Wheeler Street for several hours at a time to the great annoyance of the neighbors – and requests the attention of the Police – the carts belong to Decon the Waggon Office – one remained there for 4 hours on Tuesday – to be summoned.

***Orders for the Sgts and Men in the Streets***

The Superintendent wishes the Sergeants, and the Constables, on the day duty, to be very particular in removing all obstructions they may find in the street.

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

***Orders for Sgt to relieve the Inspector.***

The Sergeant on the Street Duty will regularly relieve the Inspector on duty in the Station at one o'clock to go home to his dinner who will return at 2. [This entry in the Superintendent's hand]

***Fight prevented***

P.S.Watts reports he put a stop to a fight in Sidney Street at 9 ½ pm.

***Door found open***

P.S. Rooke reports the shop door of Mr Gunton Butcher New Square was open at 2am he went into the House and call'd them up, Mr Gunton was thankful.

***Disturbance prevented***

P.C. Ellis 10 reports he put a stop to a disturbance in George Street Barnwell 10 ½ pm.

***Shutters found unfastened***

P.C. Ballard 13 reports he found the shutters of a Shop in the Petty Cury unfastened he could not make anyone hear him left it safe at 5 ½ am.

***Report of Gas***

P S Stearn reports the Gas burnt well during the night

***[Inspection of Great Coats and boots]***

The Great Coats and Boots were inspected at three o'clock pm by Mr Searle Mr Newby and Mr Livett. [This entry in the Superintendent's hand]

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

***Robbery***

Mr Johnson, Tennis Court lane came to say that two tame rabbits were stolen fro his back yard last night - the entrance to the yard is thro a Gate in the wall next Mr Cottons Close, the yard has been robb'd of two rabbits and other things before.

***Thieves in Custody at Fordham***

It having been reported that two men were in custody at Fordham on suspicion of having stolen a quantity of Fowles which were found in their possession - Mr. Foster made an application for Sergeant Stearn to proceed there for the purpose of bringing the prisoners to Cambridge - as there is no doubt but they are the same who robbed Mr Chambers in Swaffham Fen. [This entry in the Superintendent's hand]

***Beer house to report***

P.S. Smith reports that the landlord of the Cross Keys East Road Henry Trundley obstructed him in the execution of his duty at his house.

***Disturbance in Bridge Street Suppressed***

P.S. Watts reports he suppress'd a disturbance in Bridge Street at 11½ pm Also that he and P.C. Rockett went on board the lighters at the Small bridges and prevented a man ill using a boy on board at 1 am

***Report of a robbery to be made out***

Sergeant Stearn to make out a report of where he went to respecting the Robbery at Mr Chambers in Swaffham Fen. [This entry in the Superintendent's hand] .

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

***Report of carts in the street more than one hour***

P.S. Smith reports that a cart was left standing on Wheeler Stret from 11 ½ am to 4 pm belonging to Wm Barker of Melbourn also a cart belonging to John Peachey of Horningsea at the same place and time.

***Fight prevented***

P.C. Simkin 21 reports he put a stop to a fight on East Road at 5 ½ pm.

***Beer House to report***

P.C. Benton 16 reports that he went into Mr Primes Beer Shop Spittle House End and found 6 or 7 persons drinking therein saw Mrs Prime bring in a full Pint of Ale at 12 ½ am.

***Door found open***

P.C. Clements 11 reports he found Mr C. Willimotts back door open, on Parkers Piece 12 am he called them up. they were thankful.

***Disturbance in Gas Lane***

P.C. Ellis 10 reports he put a stop to a disturbance in Gas Lane 12 ½ am.

**Report of Gas**

P S Stearn reports the Gas burnt well during the night

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> to Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 1837**

**Disturbance prevented**

P.C. 10 Ellis reports he put a stop to a disturbance in George Street Barnwell at 10 ½ pm

**Fight ditto**

P.C. 7 Bye reports he put a stop to a fight in New Street Barnwell at 11 ½ pm.

**Report of Gas**

P S Stearn reports the Gas burnt well all night

**P.C. 16 to report**

P.C. 16 Benton reported by Sgt Watts for being absent from his beat from ½ past 12 to 20 minutes past 1 o'clock am reported also by Mrs Green absent from his beat at 20 minutes to one. Over-written "explained that he had a lead Barnwell complaint excused."

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 1837**

**Complaint about Boys at Round Church**

Complaints have been made about boys creating a disturbance about the Round Church on Sunday evenings about 4 o'clock, the Man on the Castle End Beat to be ordered to attend to this complaint

**Robbery of Grapes**

Mr W Custance sent a note to say his grape house was robbed last night – and by the foot mark supposed to be boys, and wishes to see an officer on the subject in order to trace the depredators Sergeant Smith was ordered to go immediately.

**Order for Sergeants**

The Superintendent wishes to see the Sergeants being more circumspect in making their reports – in giving the Christian and Sir name of the parties – street and sign &c. [Entry in the Superintendent's hand]

**Chimney on fire in the Rose Crescent**

P.C. 11 Clements reports 10 ½ pm he observed a Chimney on fire at Mr Colemans house in Rose Crescent he called them up & they were thankfull left all safe at 12 pm.

**Gas to report**

Mr Greef on Kings Parade complains that the Gas light opposite his house went out at 6pm.

**Lamp over the Mayors Door broken**

P.C. 21 Simkin reports he found the lamp over the Mayor's door broken when he went on his beat at 11 pm.

**Report of Gas**

P S Rook reports the Gas Burnt well during the night

**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October to Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 1837**

**Report of Gas**

P S 3 Smith reports the Gas burnt well during the night