

mother of three children, told a long rambling story, which completely broke down on cross-examination. The case was not sent to the jury.

James Edge (on bail), who appeared to be upwards of fifty years of age, was found guilty of assaulting *Caroline Weston*, a young girl at the parish of Stoke-upon-Trent, with intent, &c. The prosecutrix, a shrewd girl, fourteen years of age, who gave her evidence well, stated that on the third of July, the prisoner induced her to go into his garden, to receive some fruit. When she got there, he took her into an arbour, and there committed the assault complained of. The jury found him guilty, and he was sentenced to be imprisoned for six calendar months.

Zachariah Jaques was found guilty of killing and slaying *Abel Evans*, on the 15th of March last, by drawing him over the pulley of a pit frame, by which he fell into a pit and was killed. Sentence deferred.

GRAND JURY ROOM.

(Before Mr. Serjeant LUDLOW.)

John Marshall, Francis Marshall, and Charles Marshall (on bail from last assizes), were indicted for entering certain enclosed lands at the parish of Longdon, on the night of the 30th of August, 1840, being armed with bludgeons, for the purpose of destroying game. The case was proved by two of the keepers of the Marquis of Anglesey, who saw the defendants in a field at Longdon, on the night in question, with a net spread, in which were several partridges. After some severe struggling two of the men were taken into custody at the time; and the other a short time afterwards. Two large bludgeons were found on the ground near the net. The defendants were severally found guilty, and sentenced to be imprisoned four months.

MANSLAUGHTER AT KINGSWINFORD.

Isaiah Wright, John Parrish, William Shakspeare, Joseph Penn, Thomas Skidmore, and James Hampton, were indicted for the manslaughter of *Samuel Thompson*, at Kingswinford, on the 8th of March. It appeared that there had been a pitched battle at Kingswinford, on the 8th of March, between the prisoner *Isaiah Wright* and *Samuel Thompson*, and that the other prisoners were aiding and assisting as seconds and time keepers. In the

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