

Lawrence Thompson, Charles Thompson, John Adams, and Abraham Melliish, who were convicted at the last quarter sessions for this town, were on the 29th ult. delivered on board the York Hulk in Portsmouth Harbour.

On Saturday last as Mr. Payne, keeper of the town gaol, was on his way to Portsmouth, with the above convicts, he met with William Groom *alias* Connor (who escaped from prison on the 18th ult.) in Shoreditch, in consequence of information which had been received, and Mr. P. being in a disguised dress, Groom made a desperate resistance, but he was secured, and taken to Newgate, from whence he was conveyed to Gosport, to undergo his sentence of transportation.