



Marston Man hoodwinked by former Winslow terrier

An item in **Jackson's Oxford Journal** on **Saturday 21st April 1849** told an amusing local story:

“DOG STEALING: William Buckingham. Dog dealer of North Marston, has been committed to prison by the Mayor, for a month, charged with having on Buckingham Fair Day stolen a spotted terrier dog and collar, the property of Mr. Horne, railway agent, of Buckingham.

It appeared that the prisoner, when on his way home from Buckingham with the dog, released it at Winslow, thinking it would follow him: but the animal, instead of so doing, went forthwith to the house of its former owner in that place, and from whom Mr Horne had it. The thief, little thinking the dog was known at Winslow, went for it, and was thus detected.”

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