

# MINT01625

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Northumb.<sup>er</sup> Unidentified of Shotton Edge saith that he does know M<sup>r</sup> Unidentified M<sup>r</sup> Unidentified Unidentified and Unidentified, & saith that the Said Unidentified & Unidentified came to this Examinants house about Christmas or Candlemas was 12. months on a Sunday and Unidentified went for M<sup>r</sup> Unidentified who lived at Plessey about a mile from this Examinants house, and the Said M<sup>r</sup> Unidentified came along with the Said Unidentified unto this Examinants house and then they all went into a <1v> room and there they discoursed but what it was this Examinant knows not and that Evening they went all away together and about a whole week or some short time after the said Unidentified and Unidentified came again to this Examinants house and M<sup>r</sup> Unidentified either came along with them or was there very soon after and staid there about 8. or. 10. days and dureing that time M<sup>r</sup> Unidentified was with them Severall times. They also went often abroad, and this Examinant has enquired where they went, and sometimes they sayd they had been at Plessey where M<sup>r</sup> Unidentified lived, and sometimes Said they had been at NewCastle but they came always to their Beds at night, and sometimes they stayd together in their Chamb.<sup>er</sup> for  $\frac{1}{2}$  a day, but this Deponent knows not what they were doing, and further saith that they said they had Goods to sell and dispose off, but this Examinant never see them have any, and is sure they brought none to this Examinants house, And he further saith that at the last time of their comeing to this Deponents house the Said Unidentified Unidentified and Unidentified was together, and then it was asked this Deponent if the Said Unidentified and Unidentified might have a lodging at his house for some short time, and the Said M<sup>r</sup> Unidentified that they would pay for what they had, and he knew nothing but that they were very honest men, however after they had stayd about 8. or 10. days they went away and paid this Examinant nothing for their Diet or lodging which this Examinant hath severall times demanded of the Said Unidentified but he refused to pay the same, he saith he never saw any Instruments for Coyning with then Said persons but they had a fire in their Chamb.<sup>er</sup> & might have such things, notwithstanding this Deponents not seeing them for he minded his Labour, and did not strictly observe the Said persons.

And further saith that he remembers that M<sup>r</sup> Unidentified did bring to this Examinants host house in NewCastle a little Wallett with severall ends of some Mattery in it which was very heavy & desir'd this Deponent to carry it under him on his horse along with the Said Unidentified & this Deponent did so. and the Said Unidentified did ride along with him and would not let this Examinant go from him till they came to Shotten town end, and then he took away the Wallett and carried it home to Plessey, and afterwards he brought the Said Wallet along with him to this Examinants house, (as he beleives) with the Said Ends in it that was in it, when this Deponent brought it from NewCastle, for he did feel it on the out side, and the peices ratled one againt another, & he beleives the peices that were in it were peices of Iron (and were Instruments for Coyning { }) and the Said Unidentified bid this Deponent be very carefull and keep them, and not deliver them to any person whatsoever but to himselfe, and a little time after this the Said Unidentified came to this Examinants house, and went into the Room with Unidentified and Unidentified, and then called for the Wallet, and this Deponent delivered the same and the peices therein to him, but did not see him open it, and then this Deponent did suspect the Said persons were upon some ill Designes, and as he thought coyning or clipping, & the more because when they went out they lockt the chamber door constantly. and were sometimes blowing in this Deponents Smiths fire, and knocking on the Anvill in the Shop and the Deponent did look in at the key hole in their chamber but could not discover their Business, and the Said M<sup>r</sup> Unidentified was very Angry with this Deponent and told him that he had discouraged the Said two persons,

by enquiring into their business, and what they did there, and this happend about the Thursday before they went away, And he further saith that some few days after, they came to this Examinants house, he this Deponent asked M<sup>r</sup> Unidentified what business he had with the Said Unidentified & Unidentified to which M<sup>r</sup> Unidentified answered they were his countrymen and he had Severall Bargaines to make with them  
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