



## Source 1

## Task

**1a.** Look carefully at the source. Which crimes had been committed?

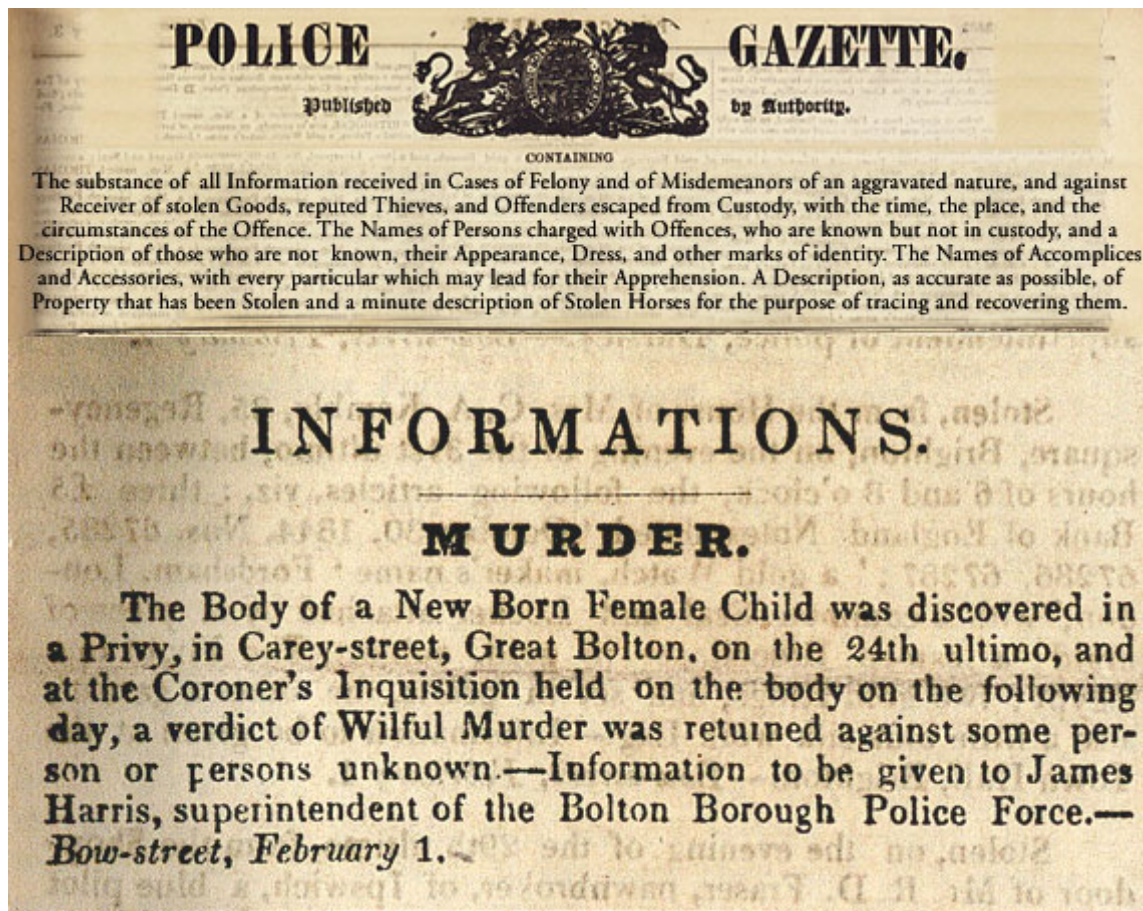
**1b.** How did publishing information such as this help:

- i) The police?
- ii) The general public?



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This is a request for information to help solve crimes. It is from the Police Gazette dated 3<sup>rd</sup> February 1845. The Police Gazette was a weekly newspaper that the government produced giving details of crimes committed and information needed.







## FORGERY.

About 7 o'clock P.M. on the 24th ultimo, a Forged Cheque for £7 10s., was uttered to Mr. Dickenson, the landlord of the 'Worcester Arms' public house, George-street. By a Man, 24 years of age, 5 feet 4 inches high, and dark complexion; dressed in black, and has two thumbs on the right hand.—*Metropolitan Police, D Division January 27.*

## ROBBERY FROM THE PERSON.

Further information respecting the Highway Robbery at Burghclere Bottom, between Whitchurch and Witway, Hants, as advertised in the 'Police Gazette' of the 6th ultimo. WILLIAM MARTIN alias WINCHESTER WILL, and JOHN HOUSE alias NEWBURY JACK, alias BUTCHER JACK, are strongly suspected as being the persons who committed the same offence. MARTIN is about 48 or 50 years of age, 6 feet high, rather round shoulders, and downcast look, long features, and is a cripple, one of his ankles is three or four inches larger than the other, which prevents his shoe from being laced close; he is a native of Winchester, and supposed to be dressed in a brown smockfrock, black hat, and fustian trousers. HOUSE is about 26 years of age, about 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, thin stature, brown hair, looks poorly, and has disease on the back of his hands; dressed in a light blue butcher's twill coat, with pockets in front, black hat, and plaid neckerchief; his father sometime since kept an inn, at Wolverhampton, but is now living at Stanford Dingley. They are in the habit of attending fairs and markets, &c., principally in the counties of Hants, Berks, and Oxford.—Information to be given to David Harvey, superintendent of police, Kingsclere, Hants, who holds a warrant for their apprehension.—*Bow-street, February 3.*

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