

**UNLAWFUL PLEDGING.**—On Thursday last, Wm. Ingham was brought before J. Hague and T. H. Cook, Esqrs., on a charge of pledging a watch, the property of William John Crawshaw, of Mirfield. About seven weeks since Crawshaw left with the defendant a silver watch for the purpose of being repaired. A few days after, the watch in question was pledged by Ingham at Huddersfield, and about three weeks since he absconded. Inquiries were then made, and it was found that about twenty watches were not forthcoming, and on searching the pawn shops several were found, and amongst them that belonging to Crawshaw. A warrant having been procured, Serjeant Cooper traced the prisoner to Birmingham, where he was apprehended on Wednesday morning last. He pleaded guilty, and was ordered to pay £5 for the value of the watch, £2 penalty and costs, or to be imprisoned for three calendar months. On searching the prisoner sixteen pawn tickets were found, which he said belonged to watches pledged by him, received from parties at Mirfield to repair.