

ROBBERY OF CLOTH FROM THE LANCASHIRE AND YORKSHIRE RAILWAY COMPANY.—Yesterday, the intermediate sessions for the West Riding, were brought to a close at Wakefield and adjourned to Rotherham. The only case yesterday of special interest was one in which Abraham Alexander Blackstone Ellis (43), farmer, well educated, pleaded guilty to an indictment charging him with having, at Mirfield, on the 3rd of March, 1866, stolen seventy yards of cloth, the property of the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company. Mr. Middleton and Mr. V. Blackburn were for the prosecution, and Mr. Waddy for the prisoner. Mr. Middleton stated that the cloth, which was packed in a truss, was taken away from the Mirfield railway station early on the morning of the 3rd of March, 1866, and that the prisoner had been found dealing with the cloth. Mr. Waddy addressed the court in mitigation, and called several witnesses—Mr. H. Clarkson, land surveyor; Mr. A. Smith, solicitor; and Mr. A. Ash, cornfactor—to speak to the prisoner's previous good character. The prisoner, who recently occupied a farm at Burley, and who was formerly a solicitor's clerk at Wakefield, was sentenced to eight months' imprisonment.