

Samuel Cox: very sorry; I was there along with the rest; I was in no way forward in it. I had been in constant work at Mr William Garrett's. They fetched me out of the barn. I do not know who they were.

Nathan Preedy: I was there along with the rest, but I did not touch the machine. They fetched me out but I don't know who they were.

William Cox: Did not wish to do any harm, only we struck for wages. Didn't break any machine, and had no hammer or axe. Denies charges. I was there. Machine pulled down before we got there, and Adkins and Bloxham were willing to have them broke up so that we would not burn them. I had neither hammer nor axe nor did I do anything towards towards breaking [Painter's machine].

James Bodfish: I did nothing towards it and have nothing else to say.

William Moreby: never saw anybody with any unlawful weapon – had no weapon himself. May have had a stick, perhaps a small one. Went to Mr Wilkes fetched by a person whom he will not name.

Thomas Barlow: Returning from work and one woman in the street told me that the mob had been after me to go and break the machine. I went into my house – 3 men said I should go. Philip Green and James Needle were 2 of them. Asked to stop and have supper. They said come. Went down street to Mr Wilkes, saw Cox and others there – several had hammers and axes. Think I left the yard first.

John Barlow: had been at work at Mr Wilkes's son-in-law. As I was going home overtook the mob – they pressed me to go with them. Believes most of the men of the parish were there. Had no stick.

George Freeman: was there. At work for Mr Wilkes till middle of day on Tuesday. Almost all the men were going up to the Upper Tadmarton. I left work, went with them, then we went up to Swalcliffe, stood in Swalcliffe street an hour to one and a half hours, and came back. I was with the mob at Mr Wilkes's in the hovel at night but I had nothing in my hand.

James Needle: nothing to say at all. Neither of them will say that I meddled with it.

James Morrey: I can bring a witness who will say I did not lay a hand on Adkins's machine. I was also at Bloxham's but I did not help break that. I was at Painter's too, and did not do anything. I had no weapon whatever. I have nothing else to say. I had nothing to do at my trade or I should not have been there. I am a shoemaker by trade.

James Needle, James Morrey and James Bodfish deny charge preferred by George Adkins and Joseph Bloxham.