

COURT. Q. Then you do not know what was done with the till while you were away? A. No; the till was left open, of course.

JAMES MASON (*Police sergeant, C 13*). I took the prisoners—I found an Hughson 3s, and on Shephard 4s 2d. in silver, and 1s 2d. in copper—I received this sixpence from Mrs. Maw, and the other from Mr. Reed.

HUGHSON. Q. Did you not take 3s. from me? A. No; 3s.—I was told that you dropped 3s., which I received from Mr. Riches, but I did not see you drop them.

JOHN RICHES re-examined. I saw Hughson drop 3s. which I took up and gave to the policeman.

SHEPHERD. Q. How could you tell that Hughson dropped them? A. I was just behind you, the 3s. dropped from Hughson.

WILLIAM WINTER. These two sixpences are both bad.

HUGHSON'S DEFENCE. I do not know whether the first was bad; any one could have access to the till; I met this prisoner, he inquired his way to Chobson, and we went and had a pint of beer, that is all I know about him.

SHEPHERD'S DEFENCE. I saw this man and asked my way to Chobson; he said that he was going that way, and asked me to have half a pint of beer; I said I did not care; we came out and were taken.

HUGHES—GUILTY.

SHEPHERD—GUILTY.

} Confined Twelve Months.

694. CHARLOTTE STEVENS (17) was indicted for a like offence.

MARSH ELLIS and W. J. PATER conducted the Prosecution.

WILLIAM JOHNSON. I am assistant to Mr. Harris, a Hosiery-trader, in Bishopsgate Street. On Saturday evening, 30th May, the prisoner came to my master's shop, about 8 o'clock at night—she asked for a cap front—I had not one to suit her, and she purchased two yards of printed cotton—it came to 1s. 1½d.—she offered me a 5s. piece—I took it to Mr. Harris—he gave it back to me—I gave it back to him, and saw him give it to the officer—I am sure it was the one I had from the prisoner—on 22nd May, the Friday week before, the prisoner had come to the shop at night, and purchased a cap front—it came to 5½d.—she gave me a 5s. piece, and I gave her the change—I did not notice that it was bad—I took it to my master, and in a few minutes he came to me and showed me a 5s. piece—I took it to a public house, and left it with Amelia Knight—shortly afterwards she came to me, and brought me a 5s. piece—I took it, and showed it to my master—I thought it was bad—I gave it back to Amelia Knight—shortly afterwards Mr. Shephard, her master, came back with it—he laid it on the counter, and my master took it up, and gave it to me—I broke it, and kept the pieces, and gave them to an officer—I have not the least doubt that the prisoner is the person who came on the two occasions—I did not say anything to her about it—I cannot tell that it was the same that I gave Knight that she brought back, but I can tell that that was the same that was brought back by Shephard—I never saw the prisoner before 22nd May—I am sure she is the same person that was there on the 22nd—we have many customers in the course of a week, but they are regular customers, not many chance customers—the crown passed on the 30th I gave to Mr. Harris, and he gave it to me, and I gave it directly to the policeman.

CORNELIUS HARRIS. I keep a shop at No. 77, Bishopsgate Street. On 22nd May the last witness brought me a crown—I do not think I took it in my hand—it was placed on the desk—I told him to take it and get change—Amelia Knight came about 10 minutes afterwards, and brought a crown