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Recognitions
against
Robert Charlton

1891.

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next day
was no for
barrel. At
declares

6 Elizabeth Neir, or Mitchell,
wife of Robert Mitchell
cattle dealer and publican
at Gilmerton who being
examined declares; That
on the evening of Thursday
the 18th ultimo Mr Tait
the preceding Declarant
came into the Declarant's
house, and two men
along with him who
were strangers to the
Declarant and each of
them had a gun when
they came into the De-
clarant's house. Declares,
that she thinks it was
about seven o'clock -
when these persons came
in, and they remained
about two hours that
they had some gills of
whisky, and the Declar-
ant served them, and
also her servant Elizabeth
Deans. - That they all
three left the house -
together

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together, and the Declar-
ant showed them out
Mr. Tait being foremost
and the two Strangers
carried their guns out
with them. That on
one of the occasions when
the Declarant was in
the room where they
were she was putting
one of the children to bed
she lifted one of the guns
from the side of it, but
she cannot say whether
it was a double barrelled
gun neither can she
say whether the other
was a double barrelled
gun. That there was no
dog with the men. That
one of the men put
powder in the pan of
his gun when in the
house, but she does not
think she would know
that man. That he was
a stout made fat ruddy
man.

8. complexioned, and was wearing dark coloured clothes. That she thinks she would know the other one who was also dressed in black clothes and they were shabby, and he was of a dark complexion. That Mr. East appeared to be hearty with liquor but knew well enough what he was doing and the other two appeared to be sober when they left her house. Declares that a few minutes after these persons left the house where the Declarant was in her Shop (she also sells grocery goods) she heard the report of two guns which, from the sound she thought, were fired at the north end of the Town being that nearest Edinburgh. That the Reports were so close after each other that there was

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was not time for loading
often between them. Declares
that fully an hour after Mr
Tait had left the house with
these men he returned and
said that he had left the men
after they came out of the
Declarant's house. That he had
gone before them and that
they had not come up to
him and he mentioned that
he had heard the report of
these guns and he also men-
tioned that some people had
come and spoke to him about
a boy being shot by the men
that he had been in company
with. Declares that before
Mr Tait had returned Thomas
Bain a Carter in the village
came to the declarant and
said that a boy had been
shot at by the men that
had come out of her house
and inquired if the declarant
knew.

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knew them and she said she did not. And being shown the prisoner Robert Charles Declares that he is very like the man last described as having been in her house with Mr Fair and she thinks he is the same -

2^d March 1821.

John Anderson Labourer in the employment of Gilbert Innes Esq of Drum and residing with John Bell Tailor in Gilmerton his stepfather in Gilmerton in the Parish of Libberton who being examined Declares that six weeks last night about nine o'clock when the declarant was coming from a night school in the village of Gilmerton and in company with George Knox and Thomas Arnoar who are in attendance at the Sheriff's office and when at the west end