



Thurtell decided to murder Weare by himself. He waited until he was in a secluded lane, either Loom Lane or Gills Hill Lane. He shot Weare in the face but did little damage.



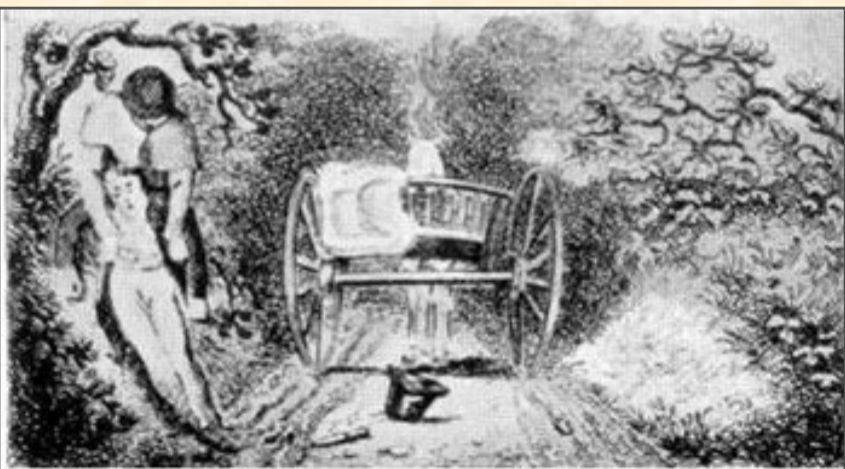
Thurtell, when nearly overpowered, cutting Weare's throat.

Weare tried to escape but Thurtell chased him and a fight ensued. Thurtell hit Weare in the head with the butt of his gun, drew a penknife, stabbed him and cut his throat.



... to make sure his victim was dead he pulled the trigger once ...

To make sure Thurtell shot him again.



JOHN THURTELL
(From an old print)

Thurtell pulled the body through a hedge. Assuming Weare carried large sums of money strapped to his body or secreted in his clothing, Thurtell looked for money. He inadvertently dropped his gun and penknife in a ditch.



Hunt and Probert met up with Thurtell. They decided to retrieve the body and dumped it in the pond at Probert's cottage.