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A man from Woodhurst, near St. Ives, stole a shotgun from a local man, and threw it in the river. Yesterday he said the man had "done him", over the purchase of a car.

St. Ives magistrates heard that the Woodhurst man, Steven Draper, also helped himself to £10 worth of pewter plates from a car parked behind the home of another local man.

Draper a factory worker of The Caravan, Heath Farm, Woodhurst, admitted that between December 12 and 16 1971 he entered the home of Mr. Christopher Cannon at South Street, Woodhurst, as a trespasser and stole a .410 shotgun worth £10.

## From porch

He also admitted that between January 1, 1970 and December 31, 1971 stole two pewter plates worth £10 the property of Mr. Brian Bailey from a car park behind his home at St. Ives. He was fined a total of £10 and ordered to pay £20 restitution.

**H** Chief Insp. Robert Bullen, prosecuting, told the Court that the gun was stolen from a porch at the rear of Mr. Cannon's home. In a statement Draper said that after taking it he threw it into the river at Norwich. He also disposed of the two plates. He said: "Mr. Cannon had done me over a car I bought from him sometime before this."