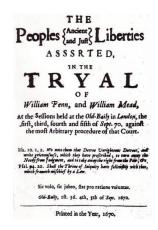
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Trial transcript of William Penn and William Mead. Image online courtesy Google Books.

The question is not, whether I am Guilty of this Indictment, but whether this Indictment be legal.

William Penn
6 Howell's State Trials, Page 951
Trial of William Penn
(1670)

Juries today listen to a phrase they don't believe:

You shall deliberate this case, without food and water, until you reach a verdict.

One can imagine the average juror's reaction:

Right! I don't think so!!

Typical response from a modern juror. In today's world, who would actually think a judge could order folks not to eat or drink until they decided a case?

But ... in years past ... it is *exactly* what would be expected. It is *exactly* what happened to William Penn's jury. That and much, much more.

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William Penn, and William Mead,

At the Seffions held at the Old-Baily in Landon, the first, third, fourth and fifth of Sept. 70. against the most Arbitrary procedure of that Court.

1(2, 10, 1, 2. We must bem that Decree Unrightenat Decree; and write grievan/neft, which they have profesible, so two many the Newf from Indianets, and to take away the right from the Pile; (Iv. Pl. 19, 10, 5. Shall the Thome of Indianty have felleniship with thee, which frameth mischief by a Law.

Sic volo, sic jubeo, stat pro ratione voluntas.

Old-Baily, 1st. 3d. 4th, 5th of Sopt. 1670.

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