

*Task: write a newspaper article on an event in the story you have read. It should have a specific purpose aimed at a particular audience. Student name withheld.*

*Bibliography: Du Maurier, D 2003, Jamaica Inn, Virago Press, London.*

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## *The Cornish Times*

*1st January 1821*

# *Wreckers In Cornwall Brought To Justice*

*On the 29th of December the notorious leader from the gang of 'Cornwall Wreckers' was brought to justice.*

*Truro: The police originally believed that the leader was the dark, mysterious innkeeper Joss Merlyn. However after local landlord, Mr Bassat and several troops found he and his wife, Patience Merlyn, murdered at Jamaica Inn last week, doubts were raised. Mr Bass at was informed that Joss had planned to flee with his wife and niece that night with Joss's own brother, Jem Merlyn.*

*It was not hours later that local authorities began to piece together the fact that Joss could not have possibly have been the leader of the dastardly crew for he was lacking and slow in wit. The blame was then passed to a*

*man who was smart and lived close enough to Jamaica Inn. Joss could easily have sought his guidance. The responsibility then fell onto the illusive Vicar of Alternun, Francis Davey.*

*It was indeed lucky that the local authorities began to search for Mr Davey because he had taken Mary Dellan, the poor niece of the shifty innkeeper. The vicar was found and shot trying to escape and the niece rescued.*

*The people of Bodmin will sleep easier knowing the coasts of England are safer without these murderous looters afoot.*