



CAUTION TO DROVERS

Devizes District Petty Sessions

Monday, March 16 Before Mr. Colston, Mr. Locke, Mr. Nisbet, & the Rev. A. Smith.

A lad named Thomas Robbins, was summoned for evading the toll at the Nursted Gate, on the 4th of March. He had, it appeared, been employed by Mr. Allen of Devizes, to drive 30 sheep, and having got them through the gate, refused to pay for more than a score, which he protested to be the number of the flock.

The Bench convicted him in the penalty of 40s., including costs, or one month's imprisonment; but upon Mr. Palmer (the lessee of the tolls) stating that it was not his wish to send the lad to gaol, as this was his first offence, he was allowed to escape on paying the expences (5s. 6d.), and promising never to attempt a repetition of the trick.

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