

Crime and Punishment

Minety

Claims Court

Beazley v Brown

The plaintiff is a cheese factor, living at Cricklade, and the defendant a farmer who resides at Minety. Mr Milward, of Lechlade (counsel), instructed by Mr Lovett, of Cricklade, conducted the plaintiff's case, and Mr Jones defended.

The action was brought to recover the sum of £6 6s 3d, £4 16s 3d of which the plaintiff paid to defendant's wife for a quantity of cheese which it was alleged she sold, and undertook to deliver to or for the plaintiff on the 14th or 15th of June last, which she did not deliver, whereby he had sustained damage to amount of £6 6s 3 d as under.

Price paid for cheese	4	16	3
Loss of profit on the same	1	0	0
Expenses of journeys and loss of time in going to and			
From Minety, to purchase and afterwards fetch the			
Cheese and on its being delivered, to demand the same.	0	10	0
	£6	6	3

The plaintiff had paid the sum of £4 16s 3d, the price paid for the cheese into court, but inadvertently omitted to pay for the costs of the summons.

The case occupied considerable time and excited much interest, and the learned judge in summing up gave the plaintiff a verdict for £4 16s 3d, and costs of that day. This being one of the adjourned cases at the last court the Judge ordered each party to defray his own costs of that day.

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