

## Crime and Punishment

## Minety

## **Claims Court**

Mr Howse v Robert Seymour

At the Swindon County Court, a farmer named Howse, of Minety, sued another farmer named Robert Seymour, of Purton, for damages sustained through his dog attacking his (plaintiff's) horse.

On the 13<sup>th</sup> November last, plaintiff was driving a horse which he valued at £31, past defendant's house, to show it to a gentleman who was about to purchase it, when defendant's dog ran out barking, and so frightened the animal that it commenced kicking, and did damage to the trap to the extent of £1 8s.

Ever since then the horse has shown such fear at meeting a dog, that plaintiff had to sell him as an unsteady animal, and only realised £16.

His Honour gave a verdict for £1 8s damage to the trap, and for £6 difference in the cost and selling price of the horse.

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