

DEVIZES DIVISIONAL PETTY SESSIONS

Before Mr. Colston, Mr. Fisher and Capt. Hunt-Grubbe

Mr. Musselwhite, Worton, was summoned at the instance of the Excise authorities for having and used a dog-cart without a license, contrary to Statute. --- Mr. Roche, I. R. O., said that he saw two traps at defendant's place, one a light and the other a black trap. Defendant had a license for the light trap only. Witness had seen the black trap in Devizes, and defendant's wife was driving it and had another lady with her. The trap had also been used to convey defendant to Trowbridge. --- Mr. Musselwhite admitted that the trap had been used in the way mentioned, but explained that on the occasion that the trap was sent to Trowbridge it was brought by his man in mistake. With regard to the occasion on which it was brought into Devizes it was used to convey farm produce, and his wife had another person with her. There was no name on the trap, but he had got the name printed and it had since been put on it. The trap was used for farm purposes. --- The magistrates said they had no doubt Mr. Musselwhite meant to act in accordance with the law, but they were of the opinion that he had committed a technical offence, and he would be fined £1 including costs.

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