

Crime and Punishment

Dinton

SELLING BEER WITHOUT A LICENSE

Jane James, of Dinton, was charged on an information laid by the excise with selling one quart of beer without having obtained the necessary license. Samuel Baker said he went to defendant's house, on the 26th of June last, and asked for a quart of beer. She served him with it, for which he paid her 5d. She was convicted in the mitigated penalty of 5 l. and costs.

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SELLING CIDER ON A SUNDAY

Thomas James, of Dinton, was summoned for selling cider in his house and premises on Sunday, the 1st inst. Defendant a license to sell cider off his premises, but not in the house. Police-sergeant Jukes visited defendant's house on the day stated, at half- past eleven o'clock in the morning; he saw several people on the premises, sitting on the ground, and others standing around with cups before them; one of them had a drinking horn, from which he was drinking. The police-sergeant then went through the house into the garden, where he saw two other men sitting on a stool, with a quart cup half full of cider before them. One of the men took the cup and placed it under the stool. Defendant was convicted in the penalty of 3 l. and costs.

(Salisbury and Winchester Journal, Saturday 21st August, 1869)

SELLING BEER WITHOUT BEING DULY LICENSED

John Croome, of Dinton, was summoned for selling two pints and one quart of beer without a license, at Dinton, on the 17th ult. It appeared that defendant had a certificate granted by him by the magistrates at the last annual licensing meeting authorizing him to obtain a license to sell cider to be consumed off his premises, but some mistake having been made by the officers of Inland Revenue, the license was made out for beer and cider. The defendant took notice of the error, and sold beer when his stock of cider was exhausted. The defendant pleaded guilty to the charge, and the Bench fined him 1 l. and costs.

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