

Employment

Baverstock

Caution to Farm Servants:

County Petty Sessions

A young man named James Viney, farm servant, was charged with disobeying the lawful orders of his master, Mr Herbert Smith, farmer, Baverstock. Defendant asked Mr Smith for leave to go to Wilton Sheep Fair, and was told that if he could find a substitute he might do so. He went to the fair without complying with the condition, however, and did not resume work until the following morning, although his services were much required in harvesting. The Bench ordered that he forfeit 5s. of his wages, and pay costs of the prosection, 8s.; in default to go to prison for a fortnight.

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