



Gamekeeper Faces the Workhouse

Among the many applicants for relief at the weekly meeting of the Devizes Board of Guardians on Tuesday last, was an under gamekeeper, in the employ of the Right Hon. Sir John Cam Hobhouse, bart. This man was summoned before the Magistrates, a short time since for the non-payment of poor rates, when he pleaded poverty - stating that he had a large family, and but 10s a week wages. The Magistrates observed, that many men, upon less wages, contrived to maintain families, equally large, to which the man replied that the clothing. The Magistrates had no discretion but to order the poor rate to be paid; they, however, recommended him to apply to Sir John, who, they had no doubt would relieve him, if he were in distress. On Tuesday, the Board of Guardians, declined affording any out-door relief, but gave the man and his family an order for admission into the Workhouse

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