

## **Alleged Torturing A Cat**

## Salisbury, County Petty Sessions - Tuesday

Present: J. H. Jacob, Esq. (Chairman), Earl nelson, T. E. Fowle, Esq., E. Hinxman, Esq., and A. F. Paxton, Esq.

## Alleged Torturing of a Cat

John Poore, of Downton, was charged, on the information of Isaac Mussell, with torturing a cat belonging to the complainant by shooting at it. The information was laid under the 12th and 13th Vict., c.92. Mr Hill appeared for the defendant. Evidence was called in to prove that the cat was shot by the defendant when it was in his garden, and that it was severely wounded. Mr Jacob said that the Bench were of the opinion that the case could not be dealt with under the statute for cruelly torturing a cat. It might, however, be the subject of a civil action. The case was dismissed.

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