

THOUGHT CAR WAS STOLEN

MELKSHAM MOTORIST'S ERROR AT BATH



John Alexander Millar, of Bowden View, Beanacre Road, Melksham, thought his car had been stolen and went to the Central Police Station, Bath, to report the matter. What he did not know was that he had left it in a dangerous position in Queen's Square and that it had been driven to the Police Station by P.S. Ewans.

This was the story told at Bath Police Court on Wednesday by ex-Sergeant. Ewans, for Mr. Ewans has now retired from the Bath Police Force, when Millar was fined 10s. and 5s. special costs for leaving a car in a dangerous position on the 10th of October.

Ex-Sergeant Ewans said that at 11 p.m. he was on duty in Queen's Square with P.C. Morse and saw a car standing on the south side of the square near the junction with Prince's Street. It was 6ft. in the road away from the kerb. He kept the car under observation until 11.45. He then drove it to the Police Station and Millar came to report that his car had been stolen. The car was restored to its owner, and witness told him he would be reported.

Millar said he left his car at 11 o'clock and did not think it was far away from the pathway. He was driving through Queen's Square, saw some friends in another car, pulled up, got into their car, leaving his car, and went to get a cup of coffee.

Millar wrote to the Court admitting the offence and enclosing a blank cheque for the fine.

The Chairman (Mr. J. Allon Tucker) said the car was left in a dangerous position and might have caused a serious accident.

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