

Crime and Punishment

Minety

Claims Court

Albert Sly v John Mills

Albert Sly, farmer, of Minety, Wilts, sued John Mills, timber dealer, of Chalford, for £40 1s 6d, the price of goods supplied, for commission, for money paid and for money lent.

Mr A H G Heelas appeared for the plaintiff and Mr E C Davis for the defendant.

The case was somewhat complicated and uninteresting, and occupied the time of the Court two or three hours.

Defendant put in, amongst others, two cheques, one for £25 and a second for £5, which Mr Davis asked his Honour to assume as having been paid to the plaintiff, inasmuch as that for £25 had, defendant alleged, been filled in by plaintiff and handed to him. Plaintiff denied all knowledge of the cheque. Both plaintiff and defendant could read or write very little.

His Honour adjourned the case to the October Court, in order that the question of the cheques might, if possible, in the meantime be cleared up.

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A Part Heard Case

Albert Sly, farmer of Minety, Wilts, sued John Mills, timber dealer, of Chalford, for £40 1s 6d, for goods supplied, commission for money paid out, and money lent. The case was partly heard at the August Court. Mr A H G Heelas represented the plaintiff, and Mr EC Davis appeared for the defendant.

His Honour ultimately gave judgement for the plaintiff for £13 15s.

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