



Crime and Punishment

Minety

Claims Court

William Tidmarsh, of Minety v W Spencer, of Brinkworth

Mr Buckley appeared for the plaintiff. It appeared that when the lessees of the turnpike roads gave up the gates to the commissioners, the surveyor was instructed to sell the gates and houses upon the roads.

Spencer, the defendant, wanted to have the materials of one, and he spoke to the surveyor, Mr W Clark, who offered him one for £9. He wanted credit for it, which was declined.

Subsequently the house was sold to Tidmarsh, who put a padlock upon the door. He went and took up the floor in a few days. Afterwards defendant went and took off the roof, doors, windows, laths, wall plates, and left the bare walls standing.

His Honour asked the plaintiff how he made out his claim. He did so to the satisfaction of his Honour, who gave a verdict for the amount claimed, with costs.

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