



Crime News

- Game Trespassing

*Wroughton
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SWINDON POLICE COURT
Thursday

Frederick Mayes, Charles Mays, and Henry Broad, the latter of whom did not appear, young men of Wroughton, were charged with trespassing in search of game on land in the occupation of Major Calley.

On Sunday morning last, between nine and ten o'clock, a gamekeeper heard the report of a gun twice, and on going to a cover found the three defendants there. Frederick Mays had a gun in his hand, but he could not see what they shot at. Frederick Mays said he was employed by Mr. Baker to scare birds on the farm, and was lent the gun for that purpose. All they shot at was pigeons.

The Bench ordered each to pay a fine of £1 and 15s. costs.

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