

A FARMER CONVICTED OF IMPROPERLY TAKING GAME.—Yesterday, John France, farmer, of Mirfield, was summoned at the instance of the Board of Inland Revenue, before the magistrates sitting in Petty Sessions at Dewsbury, for taking game on land in the occupation of Mr. E. A. Leatham, on the 7th of January last, without having previously taken out a game certificate. The case was proved by Richard Laycock and Joe Woffenden, keepers, in Mr. Leatham's employ. Mr. Gill, of Wakefield, who defended, submitted that the charge had been trumped up by the witnesses because a case they had previously brought against him had been discharged by the justices. The Bench held the charge proved, and fined France in the mitigated penalty of five pounds.