

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

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Yesterday afternoon J. Wesley Brown appeared before Magistrates Hubbell and Bonter on a charge of desertion. The defendant, who formerly resided in the Village of Marmora but recently in the City of Toronto, was arrested at the latter city and brought to Marmora by County Constable O.R. Jones, to face a charge of having deserted his wife and family and of neglecting to support them.

The marriage was proven and it appeared from the evidence that the family had received nothing from the defendant for the last three years, and had it not been for the charity of the neighbors and others they would have suffered severely and perhaps perished. It was a sad case. The Court committed the Defendant to the jail at Belleville to await trial. A.A. McDonald, Solicitor for the Village and for the Complainant. Mr. Callaghan, of the firm of Douglas, Gibson & Callaghan for the defendant.

September 6, 1917

TRIAL OF J. WESLEY BROWN

The prisoner was arraigned before His Honor Judge Wills on Monday at the Court House, Belleville, on a charge of non support and desertion of his family, who reside here. The charge was laid under the Criminal Code and not under the provisions of the Ontario Act.

The Judge, after hearing the evidence, convicted the prisoner but consented to let him go under suspended sentence, provided, and on the condition that the prisoner would, for a period of one year, pay the sum of one dollar a day or seven dollars a week to the support of his family and four dollars per week to reimburse the Village of Marmora for the monies advanced to the support of the family. The prisoner entered into his personal recognizances in \$500., with one surety (Mr. Horton) for the sum of \$250. On failure of these conditions the prisoner will be arrested and receive the full sentence of the Court.

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