

## **CURIOUS THEFT ALLEGED.**

### **Carcase of Pork Missing.**

Before Mr. Bond, P.M., in the City Court yesterday, Duncan Dewar, 21 years, and Emil Ferdinand Sandell, 46 years, were charged with having broken into and entered a butcher's shop and stolen a carcase of pork valued at £3 3/.

William E. Mackley, butcher, of King-street, West Melbourne, said that at 8.4 p.m. on 10th April he locked the shop up and at 2.25 a.m. the next day, in consequence of a telephone message, he went to the shop and found that the window in the door had been broken and a carcase of pork was missing.

Senior Constable J. M. Cornall said that at 12.55 a.m. that day he saw Sandell standing in front of the shop. Dewar then came out of the doorway carrying something in his arms. Witness called Constable Nance, and the two accused then separated. Witness noticed that the door in the shop was open, and a carcase of pork was lying in the doorway. When Dewar was questioned he said, "I do not know why I did it. It must have been a drunken freak. Sandell knows nothing about it."

Dewar pleaded guilty and Sandell not guilty. Both were committed for trial at the Court of General Sessions on 1st May, bail of £75 and a surety of £75 being allowed.