

A CRUEL CARTER.—George Loomes (25), carter, Myrtle-road, was summoned for cruelty to a gelding by working it while lame on the 25th ult.—P.C. Wallis stated that he saw the animal in question attached to a cart, containing sand. The horse was lame on both fore feet, especially on the off side.—Inspector Osborn, who saw the horse subsequently, said he found the animal very lame, having contracted and diseased feet and sprained tendons. The muscles of the shoulder were much wasted. It was a very bad case. He drew the attention of the defendant to the horse's condition, and he said he would not work it again. Witness had afterwards ascertained that the gelding had been sold.—Defendant, who pleaded not guilty, was fined 10s., or seven days, the Chairman remarking that he had got off very lightly.