LUTON TOWN FOOTBALLER ARRESTED.

Ernest Simms an Absentee.

At an occasional sitting of the Borough Police Court on Tuesday morning, before Mr. George Warren. Ernest Simms, the Luton Town centre-forward, was charged with being an absentce without leave from the 1st Newcastle Field Artillery.

Simms admitted the charge.

P.s. Hunt said that at 5.30 on Monday afternoon he was on duty at the footbail match on the Town ground, and saw Simms playing. Witness had seen Simms about the Town a good deal, sometimes in plain clothes and sometimes in uniform. Witness asked Simms for a pass, and he produced a pass for a London Regiment, but afterwards admitted it was not a proper one. Witness afterwards found that Simms was an absentee from the 1st Battery of the Royal Field Artillery, Newcastle, since the 6th November last.

Simms: I have been up since then.

The Clerk (Mr. W. Austin): What have you been up to all this time?

Simms: I have been absent about a

fortnight.

Mr. Warren remanded Simms to await an escort, and awarded P.s. Hunt 10s.