



## *Bastardy Examination*

*Foxham, Bremhill*

*At Calne Town Hall 15th January 1855*

*Charlotte Fry v Thomas Williams*

Charlotte Fry swore & saith:-

I am a single woman living at Foxham in the Parish of Bremhill in this County. On 6th September last I gave birth to a male child. I charge the defendant Thomas Williams with being the father of the child. He lived in the same Parish and kept company with me for about twelve months before the child was born. He promised to marry me. He never gave me anything. I never had any letter from him. No one was present when he promised to marry me. I have had a child which died before. When in the family way I told my sister of it. At Chippenham Fair a Michaelmas 1853 one Rich came home part of the way with us. I never told him I was with child till six months had gone.

Susannah Andrews swore & saith:-

I am a married woman living at Foxham. I am sister of the complainant. When in the family way I went to the defendant and he denied it. This was three or four months before the child was born.

Case Dismissed for want of corroborative evidence. Costs of 3 shillings and 6d. and servicing due 2 shillings.

**Source:- B10/100/1 Justice Minute Books, Calne County Division 1851-1883**