



Bastardy Examination

Calne

At The Town Hall, Calne 21st April 1862

Before Admiral Warren, Chairman; C. H. Wyndham, Esq.; Major Ward; rev. Francis Goddard

Sarah Comfort Webb v Edgar Weston

Sarah Comfort Webb sworn says. I was delivered of a bastard child on the 26th of January last, the defendant Edgar Weston is the father of such child. I am living at Calne and am a spinster. I was living at W. Kings the surgeon at Cane last January twelvemonth. I kept company with the defendant. I told of my being in the family way - he promised me marriage both before and after the birth of the child. I produce a letter from the defendant wherein he promises me marriage [Letter read by the Chairman]. I am not of Calne I came from Chirton. The defendant has given me one pound before the birth of the child and one pound five afterwards.

The defendant admitted the paternity and then said I have given the complainant £2. 5. 0. During her confinement and some other things which need not be mentioned, the most I can earn per week is 12 shillings.

Order Made for 2/6 per week from	
The date of application viz. 4th April	
1862 and costs viz. Inf. & Servd.	3 6
Dep.	1 0
Orders	<u>10 0</u>
	14 6
PC	<u>1 0</u>
	15 6

15/6 Paid in full

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