

Bastardy Examination

Calne

At Calne Town Hall 18th May 1868 Anne Duck v William Whale

Francis Drewett swore & saith:-

I am a Police constable. I served a duplicate of the summons produced on the defendant personally on 11th of May 1868.

Ann Duck swore & saith:-

I am a single woman. I live in Wood Street, Calne. I was delivered of a Bastard on 27th of February 1867. William Whale of Calne labourer is the father. Defendant has paid me money before the birth and several times after, the last time was 3 weeks after last Christmas, the first time was a fortnight after the birth, he gave me then 4/-. My mother was present at the time.

Ann Duck swore & saith:-

I am mother of the last witness. I know William Whale. I was present when defendant paid some money to my daughter about 3 weeks after the child was born, it was upstairs in my house. In june last he paid her late at night 5/-.

Order Made

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