



Crime News - Assault

*Little Hinton
1864*

SWINDON POLICE COURT

Thursday, September 22

Magistrates present: A.L. Goddard, Esq, M.P., Major Prower, Rev G. Daubeny, David Archer, Esq., and G. Alexander, Esq.

Thomas Richens, of Little Hinton, was brought up in custody, charged with having assaulted **Alice Hinton**, on the 20th of June last. Prisoner was brought up in custody on Thursday last, but complainant not being present he was remanded until the following Monday. On that day prisoner's friends met with complainant and made her so drunk that she could not give evidence, and the magistrates therefore again remanded Richens until today. Complainant now stated that she was 17 years of age, and on the 20th of last June, as she was going across the fields from Hinton to Wanborough, she was pulled about by Richens, and that he attempted to assault her. Richen's brother was standing by at the time, and encouraged him to assault her, otherwise she thought he would not have done so. A policeman came along, and prisoner ran off. He was only recently apprehended. Ordered to pay a fine of £1 and costs, or to be imprisoned for 21 days.

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