

Bastardy Examination

Quemerford, Calne

At Calne Town Hall - 16th October 1854 Mary Ann Cleveland v William Hutchings

Mary Ann Cleveland swore & saith:-

I am a single woman living at Quemerford in Calne Parish. On the 6th of April last I gave birth to an illegitimate child a girl. I charge the defendant William Hutchings with being the father of the child. I have known him 1½ years. He has paid me money toward the support of the child. He first paid me money about 2 months before I was confined and has done so since. I have since been to Devizes and asked him for money when he said he had lost £1 out of his pocket and could not.

The defendant here admitted being the father of the child and having paid her money.

Ordered to pay 1 shilling and 6d. a week from date of application and 14 shillings costs including service of 2 shilling and 6d. Costs Paid.

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