



School & Education

Clyffe Pypard
1878

Swindon Police Court
Thursday

Jasper Ferris, sawyer, of Clyffe Pypard, was summoned by Mr Dodd, the clerk to the Cricklade and Wootton Bassett Union, charged with neglecting to provide proper elementary education for his three children. Mr. E. Little, school attendance officer, proved the service of the necessary notices on the defendant, who promised to comply with his demands, but failed to do so, and also produced certificates from the schoolmasters of the district showing that the children had not attended at all.

Defendant now pleaded that he could not help himself. He had eight children – five too young to work – and he gave his wife money to pay for their schooling, but she spent it for other purposes, and he could not help himself.

The Bench made an order for the attendance of the children at the Clyffe Pypard school, telling defendant, if he did not obey this order, he would be punished.

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