

Assault at the Blue Lion

Everley Petty Sessions, Friday February 22. – Before T.E. Fowle, Esq., and Major Heathcote.

Alfred Wilkins, of Collingbourne Ducis, and Frederick Evans, of Collingbourne Kingstone, were charged with assaulting Mr George Banning, at the Blue Lion public house, on the evening of the 9th of February. Complainant stated that there was a disturbance in the tap-room, and being in the house, and having been requested by the landlady, Miss Chowles, to assist in keeping order, he did so: hence the assault. Wilkins was fined 10s and costs, and Evans 5s and costs.

There was another charge against the defendant, with another young man, named John Coster, for idle, violent, and disorderly conduct at the above public-house, at the same time. Coster was fined 5s and costs. There was no evidence taken against the other two defendants. Mr Holloway, solicitor, of Pewsey, appeared on behalf of the defendants in each case.

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