

Bastardy Examination

Etchílhampton

At Calne Town Hall 20th June 1870

Clara Head v Robert Watson

Clara Head swore & saith:-

I am a single woman living at Heddington, Wilts. I was delivered of a male bastard child on 2th May last. Robert Watson of Etchilhampton, Wilts. is the father. I was in service with him. I went there a year ago last April in 1869. He gave me a sovereign on the 27th of March last and sent me to London to be confined. A friend of is a single woman met me at the station and got me some lodgings. I stayed in London about eight weeks but returned home to Heddington to be confined as he sent me no more money. He is my uncle. I had no wages. We never agreed for any when I went there. I used to milk the cows and assist generally, he had sixteen cows.

Ann Head swore & saith:-

I am a widow and live at Heddington, I am mother of Clara Head. She was confined at my house on 27th of May last. Defendant is my brother in law, he married my sister. I have not seen defendant since he sent her away. I have seen his wife.

Adjourned

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OPC Note

No further information or outcome recorded