



Bastardy Examination

Highway

At Calne Town Hall, 15th May 1876

Ann Bradfield v Thomas Bush

(Defendant did not appear)

Joseph Millard swore and saith:-

I served a duplicate summons at the defendants last place of abode at his mother's house in Calne on the 6th May inst. The sister said he has left the night before that the girl was going to summons him.

Ann Bradfield swore & Saith:-

I live at Highway and I am a single woman. I was delivered of a bastard child 29th March last - a boy. Thomas Bush of Calne, shoemaker is the father. He came over to see me when I was very ill about a fortnight before the child was born. He brought me some honey and stayed all night. He had kept company with me 2 years.

Sarah Bradfield swore & saith:-

I am the wife of Angell Bradfield. Ann Bradfield is my husband's daughter by a former wife. I saw defendant a fortnight ago last Friday and I said he must give something to support the child. He said he had nothing to say but what he would keep the child. He knew it was. He promised to marry her in my presence.

(Order Made).

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