



# *Crime News*

## *Little Hinton*

### *1884*

Swindon Police Court, Thursday

#### **Womens' Quarrels**

**Ann Woodham**, wife of Wm. Woodham, of Little Hinton, was summoned by **Elizabeth Gale**, wife of John Gale, of the same place, for assaulting her, and also for sureties of the peace. The parties are middle aged women, and work in the fields together. On the 27th of May they had words, and their row was renewed on the 29th, when complainant said defendant threatened to knock her head off, and used other threats. In consequence of this she moved about in fear of her life. And trembled from head to foot. The defendant denied all this, but the complainant called Walter Ricketts, bailiff to Mr. Anger, who said he distinctly heard the treats used.

Complainant said she was expecting her confinement shortly, and the doctor told her if she was upset it would be a bad job for her.

The defendant stoutly denied speaking to complainant at all, and called a witness, but she appeared to know nothing at all about the matter in dispute.

The Bench ordered defendant to find one surety for her good behaviour for six months, in the sum of £5. Her husband became surety for her, and paid the costs, 17s. 6d.

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