



Bastardy Examination

Calne

At Calne Town Hall 29th March 1852

Edna Bullock v Reuben Pinnegar

Edna Bullock swore & saith:-

I am a single woman residing in the Quarry, Calne. On the first of February last I was delivered of a male child and I charge Reuben Pinnegar with being the father of it.

I was in service at Grittenham in the employ of Henry Adey as dairy maid and the defendant was cowman to Mr. Adey. We were both indoor servants and slept in the house. He had connexion with me at the house and I left in the month of last October in consequence of being in the family way. The defendant gave me a sovereign the morning I was confined and more after the birth in the presence of my mother. He owed me at that time ten shillings. He also gave my mother 1/6d. My first connexion with defendant was in the month of November 1850 out of doors and afterwards in doors.

Susannah Bullock swore & saith:-

I am the mother of Edna Bullock. Edna Bullock was confined in my house and on the same morning after she was confined the defendant came to my house. He gave me 1/6d for the mother to get some gin and I heard him say that the child should never want so long as he had a sixpence. He stayed till past 12 o'clock at night.

The Complainant put in letters from the defendant alluding to the child.

Ordered to Pay 1/- a week as from (no date recorded)

Source:- B10/100/1 - Justice Minute Books, Calne County Division 1851-1883 Held at WSHC.