

Assault on Elizabeth Dolman, 1862

At the Town Hall, Calne on 20th January 1862 Before Admiral Warren, C. H. Wyndham, Esq., G. F. Heneage, Esq.

Assault

Elizabeth Dolman sworn & saith:-

The defendant has kept company with me for 8 years. On 28th December I went out at Stanley in the parish of Bremhill. The defendant passed me with a woman on his arm. I caught hold of the defendant and said George what does this mean. He upped with his fist and knocked me down. I was senseless when I got up. I waited near his house to see whether he went home with the woman or not. He went into the house - directly afterwards he came out again and beat me shamefully and kicked me 3 or 4 times. When he found I could barely stand he poured some gin into my mouth. The assault was about 8 o'clock in the evening of the 28th December last. I gave the defendant no provocation.

Ann Dolman swore and saith:-

I am the mother of the complainant Elizabeth Dolman. On the 28th December last about 8 0'clock in the evening the complainant came home to my house in a most dreadful state, she had been beaten shamefully, she was sick for some time and I sent for a doctor. My daughter told me that the defendant had done it.

The defendant saith:-

I struck her a time or two.

Verdict:-

Fined £1 10s 0d
Costs UC 9s
IC 1s
Total £2 0s. 0d
Or 6 weeks imprisonment in lieu

Justices Minute Books, Calne County Division 1851-1883