

Examination

County of }
Stafford. }


The INFORMATION and ~~COMPLAINT~~ of William
Whitehouse now resident in the parish
of Wednesbury Miner — made and taken upon
in the said County —
Oath this ~~15th~~ ^{12th} Day of ~~October~~ ^{November} in the Year of
our Lord, 1791 — before ~~me~~ ^{us two} of his Majesty's Justices of
the Peace in and for the said County.

WHO upon his Oath saith, That he is about the
Age of Thirty Eight Years that he was born
as he has been informed and verily believes in the
Parish of Tipton in the said County but where his
parents were legally settled he this Deponent cannot
tell that when he was about the Age of Eight Years
he was bound an Apprentice by the parish Officers
of Tipton aforesaid until he should attain the
Age of Twenty four Years to Thomas Fisher of Tipton
aforesaid Farmer and served him in the said parish
of Tipton about Twenty Weeks when he was assigned
over by the said Thomas Fisher to Moses Collins of
the Parish of Westbromwich in the said County Sailor
and served him the said Moses Collins under the
said Assignment in the said Parish of Westbromwich
for the Space of Seven Years when he this Deponent
returned into the Service of the said Thomas Fisher by
Order of John Wyley Esq^r ~~and~~ ^{one} of his Majesty's Justices
of the Peace for the said County of Stafford and served
the said Thomas Fisher under such Order in the said

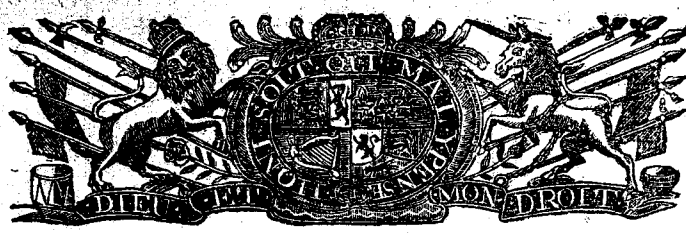
parish of Tipton about fifteen Weeks when he and
the said Thomas Fisher parted by mutual Consent
that he never served any other person after that
time by or with the Consent or Knowledge of the said
Thomas Fisher but remained his own Master to
the present Hour to the best of his knowledge and
belief that he was about thirteen Months ago he hired
himself for a Year to Thomas Lawton of Wednesbury
in the said County Miner that before about a fortnight
before the said Year was expired he was taken into
Custody by the parish Officers of the parish of Harbourn in
the said County on account of a Bastard Child sworn upon
him by Ann Baker Baker of the said Parish of Harbourn
Widow that he married the said Ann Baker upon the
payment of Five pounds given to him by the said parish
Officers otherwise he would not have married her

And this Deponent saith that he hath not
since done any other Act to gain a Settlement
in any ^{other} parish or place to the best of his knowledge
and belief — and further he this Deponent
saith that he hath not since his Marriage
with the said Ann Baker reentered into the
service of the said Thomas Lawton —
The Mark of

Before me

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 William Whitehouse



County of } To the CHURCH-WARDENS and OVERSEERS of the POOR of the
 Stafford } Parish of *Wodnesbury* in the County of *Stafford*
 To wit. }
 And to the CHURCH-WARDENS and OVERSEERS of the POOR of the
 Parish of *Fipton* in the said County

WHEREAS Complaint hath been made by you the Church-
 Wardens and Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of
Wodnesbury aforesaid unto us, whose Hands and Seals
 are hereunto set, Two of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace (one
 being of the Quorum) for the County of *Stafford* aforesaid,
 that *William Whitelhouse and Ann*
his Wife have

lately intruded themselves into your said Parish of
Wodnesbury there to inhabit as your Parishioner, contrary to
 the Laws relating to the Settlement of the Poor, and likely to
 become chargeable to the said Parish of *Wodnesbury*

We upon Examination thereof, and of the said *William Whitelhouse*
 taken in Writing upon Oath, touching their Settlement, do
 adjudge the Premises to be true, and that the last Place of the legal
 Settlement of the said *William Whitelhouse and*
Ann his Wife is in the Parish of *Fipton*
 in the County of *Stafford* aforesaid

THESE are therefore in His Majesty's Name, to order and
 require you the said Church-Wardens and Overseers of the Poor of
 the Parish of *Wodnesbury* aforesaid, That you
 or some of you, do forthwith remove and convey the said *William*
Whitelhouse and Ann his Wife from your said

Parish of *Wodnesbury* to the said Parish of *Fipton*
 and there deliver to the Church-Wardens and Overseers
 of the Poor there, or some one of them, together with this our
 Warrant or Order, or a true Copy thereof, whereby they are like-
 wise required in His Majesty's Name, and by Virtue of the Statutes
 in such Case made, forthwith to receive the said *William*
Whitelhouse and Ann his Wife
 into their said Parish of *Fipton*
 and provide for them as their own Parishioners

GIVEN under our Hands and Seals, the second Day of
November 1791.

