

DEWSBURY.

ASSAULT ON A YOUNG GIRL.—William Gill, a deaf and dumb man, was charged at the Dewsbury petty sessions, on Monday (yesterday) before J. B. Greenwood and Joshua Walker, Esqrs., with indecently assaulting a young girl, thirteen years of age, named Eunice Frances Oddie, on the 7th of June last, at Burge Mills, near Mirfield. The complainant in stating her case said, she had met the defendant on a road near Burge Mills as she was going to her work. He had followed her until they came to a quiet place, when she spoke to him and said she was frightened of the cattle. After looking around, he seized hold of her and threw her down. The witness proceeded to describe the assault. She ran home, weeping, to her mother, to whom she mentioned the assault. The girl's mother having been sworn, described the terrified condition in which her daughter was when she returned home after the assault. The prisoner was convicted, and ordered to pay a fine of 40s. with the alternative of two months' imprisonment at the House of Correction, Wakefield. The prisoner having stated his inability to pay, was sent to prison.