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COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Court convened at 10 a. m. Monday, with President Judge Ikeler and Associates M. Millard and C. G. Murphy on the bench.

A. B. Croop appointed foreman of grand jury, and John Watters tip staff for same.

Commonwealth vs. Harvey Houghton. Fornication and bastardy. Case continued.

M. P. Lutz appointed guardian of Anna Brockway.

Report of sales in the following estates confirmed nisi:

Christian Berninger, David Phillips, George Bloss, Amsey Craig, Hannah H. Armstrong, Isaac Harger, Mary E. Fetterman, Patrick Lavelle.

Report of auditors in the following estates confirmed nisi: Sarah Gerard, Rosanna Runyon, James and Jessie Evans, Samuel Sult, Peter Werkheiser, E. P. Albertson.

Report of viewers of road in Pine township, near Geo. Holdren's, confirmed nisi, width fixed at 33 feet.

Report of viewers of bridge in Greenwood and Pine twps., over little Fishingcreek, near Geo. Greenly's, confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers against a road in Mt. Pleasant township, near Simon Mordan's, confirmed nisi.

Petition of auditors of Catawissa Borough and township, and statement of road and poor business of same presented and directed to be filed.

Commonwealth vs. Oscar Roeder. Assault and battery. Nol. pros. allowed upon payment of costs.

Commonwealth vs. Geo. Sassaman. Assault and battery. Nol. pros. allowed.

Commonwealth vs. Oscar Crouse. Embezzlement. Case continued.

Commonwealth vs. Joel Morton. Assault and battery. Case continued.

Commonwealth vs. J. J. Billman. Fornication and bastardy. Case continued.

Commonwealth vs. John Hughes. Removing land marks. Nol. pros. allowed.

Return of inquest in estate of Jesse Johnson, dec'd, confirmed nisi.

Account, petition and discharge of A. B. Croop, guardian of Lizzie Townsend, filed and decreed.

Report of viewers for road in Milflin township, near George Keller's, confirmed nisi. Width 33 feet.

Report of viewers vacating road in Milflin township, near Mrs. S. Yohe, confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers against a road in Fishingcreek township, near Kramer's school house, confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers in favor of a private road in Franklin township, near Daniel Reeder's, confirmed nisi. Width 16 feet.

Report of Commissioners in favor of annexation of territory to borough of Berwick, confirmed nisi.

Estate of Alem M. Connely, dec'd, sale of real estate ordered.

Samuel Brenner vs. Rebecca Brenner. Subpoena in divorce awarded.

Louisa Ruch vs. Geo. Hohman. Agreement for judgment filed. Amt. \$7.22.

Report of viewers in favor of taking Catawissa bridge as a county bridge, confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers vacating road in Orange twp., near Jos. Henrie's, confirmed nisi.

Estate of David Billman deceased. Petition of W. H. Kreisler to pay purchase money into court. Court directed purchaser to pay money into court.

Charter granted to Kitchen's M. E. Church in Mt. Pleasant township.

Commonwealth vs. Wm. Gunther. Larceny. Not a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. C. C. Mendenhall. Malicious mischief. Not a true bill and I. H. Seesholtz, prosecutor, to pay costs.

Sale ordered of real estate of Jas. Seward, deceased.

Report of viewers in favor of road in Jackson township, near Ellis Young's, confirmed nisi. Width 33 feet.

Commonwealth vs. George W. Boyer. Assault and battery. A true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Harry Miller. Larceny. A true bill.

Estate of James Hile. W. H. Rhawn continued as auditor to report Oct. 2.

Angelina Shuman vs. F. L. Shuman. Divorce with alimony. On motion of attorneys for libellant, the commissioner C. C. Evans is permitted to withdraw the files and papers in this case for the purpose of taxing costs.

In re-sale of real estate of I. K. Sweppenheiser by the sheriff, B. F.

Zarr continued as auditor to report at next argument court.

Isabella Shaw vs. Harry W. Shaw. Divorce. Alias subpoena ordered.

In re-widening 5th street, Bloomsburg. On motion of Grant Herring for petitioners, return day is continued to first day of next term.

Frank Harger appointed guardian of minor children of Isaac Harger, deceased.

Salina Deily vs. Samuel A. Deily. Depositions filed. Divorce decreed.

Commonwealth vs. Hiram Neyhart. Surety of the peace. Defendant being in open court for hearing and being intoxicated committed to the custody of the sheriff until 9 a. m. Tuesday.

John G. McHenry appointed guardian of minor children of Dr. T. C. McHenry, deceased.

Report of viewers of road in Pine township, near George Moore's barn, confirmed nisi. Width 33 feet.

Commonwealth vs. Emma Smith. Threats. Nol. pros. allowed.

Commonwealth vs. W. W. Smiles. Threats. Defendant held in \$200 for good behavior.

Register's and Prothonotary's accounts confirmed nisi.

Emma J. Wintersteen vs. Charles Wintersteen. Divorce decreed.

Commonwealth vs. M. L. McHenry. Assault and battery. Not a true bill and S. E. Harman, prosecutor, to pay costs.

Commonwealth vs. Olly McHenry and George Sarley. Assault and battery. Not a true bill and S. E. Harman, prosecutor, to pay costs.

Commonwealth vs. Albert Reese. False pretense. True bill.

S. J. Pealer, Elliott Lemon and T. H. Edgar appointed viewers of road in Benton township, near J. J. McHenry's store.

Commonwealth vs. Arden McHenry. Desertion of wife. Nol. pros. allowed.

Report of reviewers in favor of foot bridge over Fishingcreek near Forks in Fishingcreek township, confirmed nisi.

In the estate of David Billman, Robert Buckingham appointed auditor to distribute funds to be paid into court.

David Stroup estate, W. H. Rhawn continued as auditor to report Oct. 2.

In re Jefferson street, Bloomsburg. Time for filing exceptions on the part of A. G. Briggs continued to Monday Oct. 2nd, 1893.

TUESDAY'S SESSION.

Com. vs. Hiram Neyhart. Surety of the peace. Defendant discharged and prosecutor to pay costs.

Jeremiah Wagner vs. Sarah A. Wagner. Libel in divorce. Subpoena awarded.

Charter granted to St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church of Millville, Penna.

Minnie A. Buckalew vs. John M. Buckalew Jr. Divorce decreed.

Report of viewers of road in Benton township, near John Heacock's, confirmed nisi. Width 50 feet.

Inquest on bodies of Martin McIntyre, Thomas Nicholas and Benjamin Wagner approved as proper cases for inquest.

Com. vs. Franklin Sponenberg. Fornication and bastardy. Verdict, guilty in manner and form as indicted.

Com. W. A. Welliver. Forgery. Nol. pros. allowed.

Com. vs. James McEwen. True bill.

Com. vs. James Tracy. Fornication and bastardy.

Com. vs. Harry Miller. Larceny of watch from W. A. Hartzel's stable, Bloomsburg. Defendant plead guilty in open court.

Com. vs. Alfred Reece. Obtaining goods under false pretense for A. Lockard at Berwick. Defendant plead guilty.

Com. vs. Wm. Stoefler. Horse stealing. True bill.

Com. vs. Harry E. Trego. Fornication and bastardy. True bill.

Com. vs. William Shoemaker. Horse stealing. Deft. pleads guilty in open court. Court sentenced deft. to pay costs of prosecution and fine of \$250, and undergo imprisonment in the Huntingdon Reformatory until discharged according to law, and the Sheriff to conduct him there within ten days and be allowed one assistant.

Com. vs. Harry E. Trego, deft. pleads not guilty, and case continued, with W. C. Trego as bail in \$500, for appearance of deft. at next session.

Com. vs. James McEwen. Deft. pleads guilty in open court and remanded to custody of Sheriff.

Com. vs. Wesley Cleaver. Nol. pros. allowed on payment of costs.

Com. vs. Elijah Cleaver. Nol. pros. allowed on payment of costs.

Com. vs. Peter Fetterman. Nol. pros. allowed on payment of costs.

Com. vs. Michael Douse. Selling liquor to minors. Continued.

Com. vs. Edward M. Newhart. Nol. pros. allowed on payment of costs.

Com. vs. Patrick Fogarty, Timothy Cain, Edward Walsh and Theodore Durkel. Continued and recognition of debts and sureties forfeited to be respited &c.

Com. vs. D. Smith Hill. Fast driving. &c.

Com. vs. Edward Spearing. Malicious mischief. Continued &c.

Com. vs. Mertus E. Edwards. Embezzlement. Continued.

Com. vs. Jacob Bears. Lewdness. Deft. adjudged insane and committed to State Hospital for the Insane, and county to pay costs.

Com. vs. George Boyer. Deft. pleads guilty in open court to assault and battery. Sentence, pay a fine of \$25, costs of prosecution within ten days and stand committed until sentence is complied with.

Com. vs. Isaiah Snyder. Forgery. Not a true bill.

Exception to submission of the report of viewers on taking of Catawissa bridge as a free bridge, to the Grand Jury, filed. Filed before submission to the Grand Jury.

Com. vs. William Miller. Malicious mischief. Verdict not guilty.

Com. vs. Edward M. Newhart. Larceny. Deft. pleads guilty in open court. Sentence pay a fine of \$15, cost of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in county jail for 30 days.

Com. vs. Charles Brittain. Continued and recognition of deft. in \$300 with C. B. Jackson as surety for appearance next session.

Following Sheriff's deeds acknowledged in open court.

Jacob Miner property of J. O. Doty \$225.

L. S. Wintersteen property of Ira Doty \$225.

Eva Emery property of Jamima Poust \$675.

Joseph Deppen property of Chas. Fahringer \$30.

Citizens B. & L. association of Centralia property of Thomas Geharty \$1,120.

NELLIE RAYER'S HOME.

JUDGE SAVIDGE DECIDES THAT SHE IS BEST OFF WITH HER AUNT.

The Sunbury Daily says: On Monday afternoon September 18th Judge Savidge filed an opinion in the case of John T. Rayer vs. Lincoln S. Walter. Rayer is a traveling salesman and lives at Pottsgrove. He was married several years ago to a school teacher, she being his second wife. By his first wife he had a daughter, Nellie. This daughter and the new Mrs. Rayer did not get along well, and as Mr. Rayer was away nearly all the time the girl was left to the care of her step-mother, who treated her cruelly. She whipped her, beat her head against the wall and was constantly abusing the girl. This spring Nellie left home and went to Milton. There she chanced to meet her uncle, Lincoln S. Walter. She told him her story and he sent her to his home at Mt. Carmel. Mr. Rayer then went to Mt. Carmel and wanted Nellie to return home, but she refused. He then had a writ of habeas corpus issued to compel Mr. Walter to give her up. The matter was heard on the morning of July first at the Court House. Nearly everybody from Pottsgrove came down to attend the hearing and the evidence was all against Mrs. Rayer. Judge Savidge said that Nellie should remain in Mt. Carmel until he arrived at a final decision. In his opinion he decides that Nellie shall remain at Mt. Carmel and that Rayer and Walters shall each pay the costs of their respective sides. Rayer is also directed to pay the costs of putting the case on record. Nellie is fifteen years old and Mrs. Walter is a sister of her deceased mother. Mr. Walter is an attorney and an orator of considerable reputation.

NOTICE.

There will be a Union meeting held in the Presbyterian church on Market street Sunday October 1st, at 3 o'clock. At which time all the ministers are expected to be present, and take part in the meeting. The object is to raise the sum of \$600 to assist the pastor of the A. M. E. church as he did not hold no Camp-meeting this year. Therefore all are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

REV. H. JOHNSON,
Pastor of A. M. E. Church.

Go and see "Later On" at the Opera House, Saturday evening, September 30th.

A COSTLY EXPERIMENT—NO. 2.

EDITOR COLUMBIAN:—

In your issue of September 15th, some one without the courage to disclose his name but whose tracks I recognized, endeavors to injure the reputation of a gentleman residing several hundred miles distant, who some years ago built a pipe organ for the Lutheran church.

Now, just what interest the public has in either the purchase or sale of an organ by the Lutheran Church, I cannot see, and what motive induced the writing and publication of the article entitled "A Costly Experiment" is beyond my comprehension, unless it was a desire to injure the reputation of the builder of the organ. If the article was not a series of misrepresentations from beginning to end I would pay no attention to it. Now what are the facts in the case—some eleven or twelve years ago, M. P. Moller of Hagerstown sent me a draft and specifications of a pipe organ with the statement that he would place it in the church, let the congregation use it, and if it was not satisfactory he would remove it at his own expense, if satisfactory they should pay him seven hundred and seventy five dollars for it. I submitted his proposition to the church council and after some consideration they gave him permission to put the organ in, on the conditions he proposed. In due time the organ was put in place, was tested by Prof. Niles and Geo. E. Elwell and no one else at the request of the church and was used by the congregation every service for about nine months, during which time the builder tuned it once or twice, coming here at his own expense. Then a vote of the congregation was taken upon the question of purchase which resulted in favor of purchase about ten to one—about a dozen votes only being cast against the purchase and about half of those from one family. Then six hundred and fifty dollars was paid on the organ in several payments, one hundred and twenty five dollars being retained for one year by consent of the builder as a guaranty that the organ should prove good. At the expiration of that time the balance was paid without interest.

The organ was used for about seven years during which time not one dollar was expended for repairs nor tuning, whatever tuning was done, was done by the builder gratuitously, and for two years and six months it had not been tuned, when the ceiling of the church immediately above the organ became loose and some fell off. A man who was employed to take down what was loose and replace it, in doing so put just sufficient boards on top of the organ to stand on, and pushed off the plaster and let it fall on top of the organ, filling the pipes and entire organ with the lime and sand until it protruded from the mouth of the pipes. The builder was sent for and he and I cleaned it out as best we could, but particles of it had gotten into the action where it could not be entirely removed. For his travelling expenses from Hagerstown here and return, hotel bills and two days and one evening work he charged them the enormous sum of twenty three dollars and I think seventy-five cents, which was not paid until nearly a year afterwards. About that time steam heat was introduced in the church and run up to eighty and ninety degrees and left there from one Sunday until the next nearly the whole winter, with a radiator within about ten feet of one end of the organ, a hot water coil under the steps close to the other end, consequently many of the glue joints in the organ opened and it had to be repaired. Yet he says no one was to blame but the builder. The builder repaired it for the small sum of fifty dollars. In doing so he was compelled to take down the entire organ and put it up again and tune it, involving about eight days work for one man and two or three for a second one, besides traveling expenses and hotel bills. It was then used until about two years ago, when a couple of pipes speaking when not invited to do so (a thing that I could myself have remedied in an hours time) and it was abandoned.

Recently Mr. Moller made two propositions. He would give five hundred dollars for the organ in exchange for a larger one, or he would rebuild the organ, using such material in this that is good, and supply new where necessary for five hundred dollars which would cover all expenses of freight to the factory and return. Yet he says "the committee failed to get any satisfactory terms for repairing it."

At a congregational meeting a few weeks ago, after the services on Sunday morning without any notice to the members the question was presented, "what shall be done with the organ?"

I made a motion that it be rebuilt, a vote was taken and seventeen voted in favor and twenty three against it although a couple hundred of the members were present, who not having notice of any intended action and having only a few minutes to consider, the greater number did not vote at all.

I admit that it has been a costly experiment but I aver that the management of the church are responsible and not in any manner the builder of the organ. No organ ever built would stand what that organ has been subjected to by the management of the church and their employees.

Yours in the interest of truth,
R. H. RINGLER.

A RUNAWAY.

The series of accidents last week closed with the runaway of the double team of Thomas Gorrey. Friday afternoon, Mr. Gorrey accompanied by his wife, his niece Miss Mattie Sterner and father-in-law John Sterner, took a drive in the country about Buckhorn. While on the road from Buckhorn to Light Street and near what is known as Moore's farm, it was observed that by reason of the team being hitched too long and going down a hill, the wagon ran against the heels of the horses; immediately the team started on a run down the hill, and became unmanageable. The first turn in the road was made safely, but the team increasing in speed soon reached a second turn when the wagon upset and all were thrown out. Mr. Gorrey and his father-in-law became entangled in the top of the buggy and were dragged some distance. When they finally freed themselves, the team seemed to go with greater speed, and soon dropped the wagon, a perfect wreck along the roadside. They crossed the bridge known as Masteller's and here encountered a horse and buggy driven by a woman. The lady pulled her horse to one side expecting the team to pass, but on account of the speed they could not, and reaching the horse, one of the team jumped over the horse, buggy and driver, with only a slight bruise to the horse. It was a wonderful sight and a miraculous escape. The team ran into a fence and becoming entangled were caught there.

Mrs. Gorrey had her limb broken and ankle twisted out of place, besides bruised and cut in several places. Miss Mattie Sterner was bruised and cut in several places, and John Sterner received an ugly flesh wound on the hand. Mr. Gorrey had his front teeth knocked out, and cut and bruised in many places. The two to suffer most are Mr. Gorrey and wife, both of whom have been confined to the house since the accident. It was an unfortunate accident at this time as Mr. Gorrey is in the midst of some large contracts for buildings.

"Later On," that furiously funny farcical festival as it is described, comes to the Bloomsburg Opera House, Saturday, September 30th, and if reports from other quarters are to be credited, will dish up to its patrons a most enjoyable performance, and in these days of business troubles it will it is claimed, dispel the worst case of blues on record. The company is a good one, and they have one duty in common, that is to make you laugh. How well they perform this duty is estimated by the amount of business this organization does, which for the past three years has been something wonderful. In this its fourth year, the management promises some startling novelties, to be seen for the first time in this country. "Later On" has always boasted, and with cause, that it contains the best musical numbers found in farce comedy. To render these it must have good singers, and with that end in view the company has been carefully selected from the best ranks of singers. The dancing is also original and clever; the entire skit is one series of laughs. It is and always has been one of the best farces on the road.

Among the numerous houses that are being built in this town, that of S. C. Creasy on West street, above Second, presents the most imposing appearance. There are porches in the front and rear of the house, and a more beautiful view cannot be had in any part of the town. The house is conveniently planned, will be lighted by electricity and heated by a furnace. He already has several offers for the house.

Work is being pushed at the new Magee & Snyder store. Electric arc lights have been introduced and the carpenters and other artisans work day and night. It will soon be ready for occupancy.

BRIEF MENTION.

About People You Know.

I. J. Hess has been appointed post master at Lime Ridge.

S. C. Creasy and wife went to the World's Fair Tuesday.

A. B. Millard, a prominent Centralia merchant, was in town on Monday.

Miss Edith Reber went to the World's Fair on Tuesday.

William E. Boice and bride have returned from their wedding trip.

Mrs. J. A. Gruver of this town, and Mrs. G. W. Gruver of Nanticoke went to the World's Fair on Monday.

Joseph Casey, son of Michael Casey, and Miss Maggie Bruner were married on Thursday of last week.

A. B. Croop was foreman of the grand jury this week. A good selection.

Francis Heck who was employed for some time on the Daily, is in town this week.

Samuel H. Harman and W. Clark Sloan went to the World's Fair on Monday.

Gen. C. M. Blaker was in town on Tuesday. He talks of running for Congress next year.

The Misses Deemer of Williamsport have been visiting the Misses Patterson.

J. H. Mercer has moved into the new dwelling house of Mrs. Butler on First street.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Townsend and infant daughter of Berwick, spent Sunday with their parents Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Townsend.

Samuel Worman, Jr. of Espy was married Thursday evening of last week to Miss Lena Hartman, daughter of Mrs. Eli Hartman.

Harry Low, Francis Herring, G. S. Fleckenstine and Joseph Hilday, all of Orangeville, left on Saturday of last week for the World's Fair.

Hon. E. M. Tewksbury was in town Tuesday in attendance at Court and shaking hands with his numerous friends.

Candidate Chas. B. Ent, the next Register and Recorder of Columbia county was circulating among his friends in town this week.

Mr. Fred Richards of the Bloomsburg Brass & Copper Co. returned last Saturday from a trip to Washington, D. C., New York and Waterbury, Conn., his old home.

W. B. Taylor, and M. Ellenbogen attended the meeting of the Democratic Societies and the Lehigh County Agricultural Exhibition at Allentown this week.

John Harman, G. P. Ringler, H. S. Pohe and Alexander Lockard attended the bicycle meet at Wilkesbarre. They took part in the parade along with the Pittston club.

D. A. Beckly has been visiting among friends in Bloomsburg for the past week. About a month ago he met with an accident resulting in the injury of his spine.

Andrew C. Rooney, one of Centralia's substantial citizens, was a member of the grand jury this week. Mr. Rooney spent many years in the coal mines, but has now reached a time of life when he can no longer perform hard labor. He is engaged in the restaurant business.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Peacock, Frank Pursel and Samuel H. Harman of Bloomsburg, Miss Parker and Miss Moody of Sunbury, went to Williamsport Saturday and spent Sunday with Miss Dove. It was the seventh anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Peacock, and the birthday of Miss Moody.

Conrad Hippensteel of Briar creek township who has been confined to his bed for the past ten weeks, with catarrh of the stomach is in a very critical condition, yet during the past week favorable symptoms have developed which give hope to his friends that he may yet fully recover. Mr. Hippensteel has many friends who would like to see him get up again and be able to pursue his duties of farming.

The management of the "Later On" company has engaged Chas. J. Elwell's Orchestra for the performance at the Opera House Saturday evening. The orchestral program will include some late and popular music.

"The Merry Cobbler" at Bloomsburg Opera House, Wednesday evening October 4th.