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Who'll Settle the Estate

The Handling of the Late Herman Walter's Money Occasions Some Litigation.

MATTER STILL UNSETTLED.

Just who will settle the estate of the late Herman Walter, the unfortunate victim of the trolley road accident on the night of August 28, is largely a matter of conjecture at this writing.

Monday afternoon a hearing was held before Register and Recorder Rutter, at which Mr. Dwy through his counsel Grant Herring and H. A. McKillip, sought to have the letters granted to Mr. Allen revoked.

ANOTHER TROLLEY ACCIDENT.

Benjamin McHenry and William Holter Have Miraculous Escape From Death.

That Benjamin McHenry and William Holter, of Berwick, were not killed this morning is little short of a miracle.

The accident occurred near Willow Springs, and was the result of the men turning their horse directly in front of the car.

The car was in charge of motor-man Chas. Holter and conductor James Salter.

A PRETTY HOME WEDDING.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Kocher, of Fowlerville, was the scene of a pretty home wedding on Saturday last at high noon.

The presents, consisting of linens, china, glass and silver ware, were numerous and valuable.

The following is a list of those present: Rev. and Mrs. Kline, Rev. R. Kocher, Miss Cora Kocher, Daurence Fenstermaker, Mrs. Harriet Shaffer, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Croop, Mrs. George Kelchner, Mr. and Mrs. C. Lemon, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Conner, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Kocher and son Willie, Miss Ada Kocher, Misses Anna and Jennie Paden, Mrs. Smith McBride, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Kocher, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Harmon, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Welliver and daughters Myra and Myrtle, Mr. George Hartzell, Misses Millie and Fannie Shaffer, Estella and Belle Miller, Clara, Mary and Ruth Kocher, Henry and Clark Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Bomboy and son.

NEAR ORANGEVILLE.

A few notes from this quarter may not come amiss.

The season has been generally a prosperous one, but the grand difficulty has been to garner the crops. Rains and covered skies have not permitted many intervals of sunshine.

There was a struggle in planting corn, so many farmers planting twice; the ground was so dry in the spring that walls of dust rose from the plow just when the corn was to be planted.

Buckwheat is blooming as the roses of Sharon and the lilies of the valley. If we don't have buckwheat cakes and "hogsop" it will be because the frost will kill the buckwheat and the swine will die of delirium tremens.

Chas Johnson & Co. are busy night and day threshing among the farmers. This firm has more than it can accomplish.

J. Wesley Bowman is quite busy with his machine.

We had a pleasant call on Jno. G. McHenry since his return from the Great North West. The travel has improved him wonderfully.

Forks, near by, is looking up. Harrisons are running a fine mercantile trade besides coal, lumber and phosphates.

Jas. Ammerman still holds the fort selling merchandise.

E. M. Laubach and wife have just returned from a pleasant trip to Bloom, Danville, Washingtonville, Turbotville, Exchange &c.

Rohrsburg is still there. George Appleman is quite busy selling buggies and carriages.

Labor day went by unobserved in Bloomsburg. The employees of a number of business houses and a few manufacturing establishments were given the day off.

The local theatrical season opened Monday evening with Watson's Oriental Burlesquers.

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DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

Store and Post-office at Grovania Wiped Out Saturday Night.

C. D. Garrison's store at Grovania in which building the post-office was located, fell a victim to the devouring element Saturday night, and the entire building together with its contents was reduced to ashes.

The lurid glare was visible here, and even the scintillations could be discerned.

The building burned was a two-story frame nearly new. In addition to a store room 22 x 40 feet there was a commodious residence portion, containing all the modern improvements and finished in hard wood.

It happened on Saturday night that nearly the entire population of Grovania were attending a festival at Lazarus' church.

About 10 o'clock some one at the festival saw the fire. Mr. Garrison's attention being called to it he became fearful that it was his store and hurried home only to find that his worst fears were true.

The front door was broken open and a show case was dragged out, but driven back by the smoke the side door was next attacked.

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Incendiarism is suspected as Mr. Garrison says none of the stoves were lighted and he was careful to extinguish all the lamps before he locked up.

He carried insurance, but he is at a loss to know how to meet the present emergency in the care of the mail and conduct of the post-office.

Nicely Lighted.

The local theatrical season opened Monday evening with Watson's Oriental Burlesquers. The new lighting system, electricity, which was recently installed worked, as the old saying is, "like a charm" and is a wonderful improvement over the old gas system.

Mr. Fowler informs us that he will begin early in the spring to improve the house. He is already having the plans made.

In regard to Monday night's show, we can express our opinion in a very few words. It was probably the best appearing company of its kind that has been here for some time and was nicely dressed, the costumes being particularly fine, but the performance was morally rank.

In the Court Room.

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Report of viewers in favor of a county bridge over Raven Creek, in Stillwater Borough, confirmed nisi.

Estate of Nancy Nugent, late of Borough of Berwick, dec'd. Report of sale confirmed nisi.

Estate of Jerre George, late of the township of Franklin, dec'd; Report of sale confirmed nisi.

Estate of Sarah Gearhart, late of the township of Mifflin, dec'd. Petition for partition by collateral heirs. Inquest awarded.

Report of viewers in favor of a private road in Hemlock township confirmed nisi, and width fixed at 16 1/2 ft.

Report of viewers in favor of public road in Locust township, near residence of Jonathan Beaver, confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers in favor of a road in Briar creek township, confirmed nisi. Luther Ayer and F. A. Witman were excused from serving upon the jury.

The following cases were continued: Thos. E. Harder vs. John A. Shuman; Evendon Bros. vs. S. G. Bryfogle; Reuben J. Miller vs. Columbia Co.; Chas. W. Breish vs. Columbia County, of the first week, and F. P. Creasy vs. The North and West Branch Railway Company; Henry Hinderliter's executors vs. Daniel Derr and Clinton Derr; Jacob Lindermuth vs. The Catawissa Railroad Company and its lessees, The Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company.

Of the first week cases that of Wm. C. Johnston now to use of Morris E. Eves vs. Dennison Brink and John G. Freeze was non-suited; the case of Columbia County vs. William Krickbaum, appeal from report of County Auditors, was transferred to second week, and in the second week the case of Frederick Hummel vs. The Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company was settled.

Argument of counsel in case of W. T. Smith & Son vs. Magee Carpet Works to amend action to one of assignment.

Report of viewers in favor of a county bridge in Catawissa township. Confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers in favor of a county bridge in Madison township. Confirmed nisi.

Clark Kashner was appointed Inspector of Elections of the Fourth Election District of Bloomsburg.

Petition of Mary Ellen Levan for divorce. Subpoena awarded.

Petition of Alonzo Tokosy and Toifre Domask, applicants for naturalization. They were admitted to citizenship on taking oath of naturalization.

Register presented his accounts as advertised and they were confirmed nisi.

Widow's appraisements were presented by the clerk and confirmed nisi.

Auditor's report in estate of Abram Whitman, deceased, confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers of public road in Briar creek township confirmed nisi.

A number of the surety of the peace cases were then brought before the Court by District Attorney Dwy.

In the case of Commonwealth vs. John T. Edwards the defendant was discharged on grounds of insufficient allegation to hold him.

Case stated for the opinion of the Court in Samuel I. Googman vs. Commissioners of Columbia County as to whether County Commissioners must pay said Goodman for five cows killed because of rabies under the law of 1893 and 1901 and for which he claims the appraised value.

Commonwealth vs. John Chamberlain, surety of the peace. The prosecutor, Charles Quick, testified that defendant struck him and threatened injury to his person.

Subpoena in divorce upon grounds of desertion awarded in case of Anna M. Gunther vs. William Gunther.

Report of viewers in favor of a road in Sugarloaf township confirmed nisi.

Petition to lay out and vacate part of road in Orange township near house of John Folk confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers to vacate road in Orange township near house of Abram Kline confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers in favor of a road in Madison township near Daniel Ladiker's confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers for road in Briar creek township near land of William Mack confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers for bridge in

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Pine township confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers for a bridge over north branch of the Chillisquaque creek, in Madison township, near residence of John M. Girton, confirmed nisi.

Peter McNale, of Conyngham township, excused from grand jury.

Commonwealth vs. Lizzie Cameron, surety of the peace. Prosecutrix, Belle Kuhns, failed to appear and case was dismissed and recognizance ordered forfeited.

Commonwealth vs. Samuel Klingerman, surety of the peace. Sarah Sherman, prosecutrix, testified to threat to shoot her and calling her vile names.

The defendant, only a boy of thirteen years, took the stand in his defense and testified to some provocation and denied threat to shoot prosecutrix.

The Court was disposed to be lenient because of sympathy for the boy owing to the loss of his mother in early life and his father last spring and ordered nol pros.

In the matter of the incorporation of Shawnee Club and Franklin Band, it was referred to John G. Freeze for examination and recommendation.

A petition was presented by C. E. Kreisher, Esq., of Catawissa, signed by probably a majority of the citizens of Cleveland township asking that the polling place in that election district be changed from the old store room of Harrison Kreisher to the Center school house in that township.

By an act of the last Legislature this power was placed in the hands of the County Commissioners and the Court directed such action. The law approved the 14th day of April, 1903, on this subject is as follows:

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That it shall be lawful for the County Commissioners of any county in this Commonwealth, at any time at least three weeks prior to any general, municipal, township or special election, for any reason that may seem proper to the County Commissioners, upon a petition of at least ten qualified electors of any township election division, to change the polling place of said township or election division: Provided, however, That the said County Commissioners may, in their discretion, direct that an election be held to settle the question as to where the said polling place shall be located.

Section 2. All acts or parts of acts, general, special or local, inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Witnesses in the continued cases were discharged from further attendance at this Court.

The Grand Jury made returns as follows: Commonwealth vs. Wallace Seybert, charge assault and battery. True bill.

Commonwealth vs. Lewis Metz, f. and b. True bill.

Commonwealth vs. L. P. Boston, charge f. and b. True bill.

Commonwealth vs. Peter Sandal, charge f. and b. True bill.

In case of Commonwealth vs. Lewis Metz, charged with f. and b., defendant not appearing, recognizance ordered forfeited. Case continued over to next term.

R. B. Angel, excused from jury service.

Case of Commonwealth vs. Wallace Seybert was called and jury selected.

The defendant failing to appear his recognizance was ordered forfeited but should he appear at any time during the week, the order would be rescind and trial proceed.

Mr. Seybert later appeared and the order of forfeiture of recognizance was ordered stricken off. Case continued over to next term of court.

Case of Commonwealth vs. L. P. Boston, f. and b. Continued.

Charles Orf excused from jury.

The Grand Jury made the following returns: Commonwealth vs. Elias Fleckenger. Charge, selling without license. Bill ignored, and prosecutrix, Eliza Stricker, ordered to pay costs. Witnesses discharged.

Commonwealth vs. William Marks. Charge, assault and battery. A true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Lizzie Cameron. Prosecutrix Belle V. Koons did not appear and recognizance was ordered forfeited. On motion of J. Gere Jayne attorney for prosecutrix, forfeiture of recognizance ordered revoked.

Commonwealth vs. Charles Levan, assault and battery. Continued.

Hon. Fred Ikeler presented petition not to appoint viewers on petition previously presented for vacating old road and building a new road near H. M. Vocum's, in Clevedlynd twp. Rule granted to show cause why viewers should not be appointed to vacate road.

Commonwealth vs. Clark Marks. Defendant pleaded guilty to assault and battery. Sentenced to pay costs of prosecution, a fine of \$50 and imprisonment of one month in the county jail.

Commonwealth vs. William Murdoch and Joseph Rhone. This is the highway robbery case, the story of which has been told in these columns. Harry Ohl who was relieved of his watch and money, told the story. It was straight forward and could not be shaken in cross-examination. The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and they were sentenced to pay costs of prosecution a fine of \$300 and undergo three years at hard labor in the Eastern Penitentiary.

This sentence is regarded as a severe one, but there may be more still awaiting them. They are wanted for the murder of John Baltes at Wilkesbarre in July. A photograph was taken of them in the jail two weeks ago, and a man who was with Baltes on the night of the murder is positive that they are the men.

Com. vs. Harry Courtright, alias Wm. Courtright, Charge robbery. Verdict not guilty.

Com. vs. Chamberlain and Courtright. Charge larceny and receiving stolen goods. Defendants plead guilty. This is the noted case in which salesman King's cigar case was stolen from the Exchange Hotel.

The sentence of the Court was that they pay costs of prosecution, a fine \$200 and imprisonment at labor and solitary confinement for a period of two years in the Eastern Penitentiary at Philadelphia.

The trial of Levan for the murder of McAndrews is on as we go to press.