

J. CROUSE, Edt. & P'rpr.

THE TRUTH.

DECREE OF COURT.—Directing the Prothonotary of Snyder county to transcribe No. 1, Judgment Lien Docket; And now to wit: March 2d, 1871. It appearing to the Court that the Judgment Lien Docket No. 1, is in such state of dilapidation and decay that the same cannot be rebounded, the court order the Prothonotary, to procure a new Judgment docket and have the contents of the old one neatly and correctly transcribed therein and that the old one be filed carefully in the office. That the Commissioners pay the price of the new lien Docket—and that the compensation for the work to be done shall be such reasonable compensation as the court may direct after said work is done.

Sep. 25th 1871 upon due consideration of the premises, the Court appoint S. Alleman, Chas. Hower and B. T. Parks Esqrs. a committee to examine the Duplicate Judgment Lien Docket transcribed by order of court herein contained and report a fair compensation therefor, and also in addition thereto to fix a sufficient compensation for the labor performed in completing and filling out the columns in said Judgment Lien Docket under the head of "Records" and insert the amount of such compensation in this order. The court order and direct the Commissioners of Snyder county to draw an order in favor of John H. Arnold at request of Prothonotary Crouse for the sum of Five Hundred Dollars compensation therefor.

By the Court, S. S. W.

We the Committee aforesaid having examined the Docket say that the compensation ought to be Five Hundred dollars and have therefore presented said amount in the order, Sep. 25th 1871.

SAMUEL ALLEMAN,
CHARLES HOWER,
B. T. PARKS.

Committee.

Approved Sept. 26, 1871.

To Sirs Picnic.—In my course of business, I had occasion to visit the Prothonotary's Office, and in 1871, in looking up an old judgment, it occurred to me that the Lien or Judgment Docket No. 1.—(the first docket running from 1855 to 1861) was in a dilapidated condition and should be transcribed—the Docket was not a well bound book and a rebinding would destroy two of its essential parts. It is in daily use and the public have constant access to it and must of necessity wear out. Declining it the most important Docket among the public records, because it is the evidence of thousands of dollars of indebtedness which should a single leaf be lost would be lost for ever, I asked the late lamented Judge Woods to direct that it be transcribed (with the understanding that I should do the work), whereupon he made an order to that effect, a copy of which is annexed. No one knew of the matter until the order of the court was made except Judge Woods Col. Simpson and myself—I am alone responsible for the transcribing of the Docket—and believed it was for the public good. I labored hard for several months to accomplish the work, as the book itself will show, and when completed I asked the Judge to appoint a committee to examine the work and report the compensation, a copy of which is hereto annexed.

The committee reported the compensation (\$500) Five Hundred dollars, whereupon Judge Woods directed an order to be issued to me for said sum which I presented to John K. Hughes, Treasurer, and received the money—no one ever received one dollar of that money from me as a consideration in having the work done—Mr. Crouse Prothy, knew nothing of the order about to be made, until Judge Woods directed the transcribing, and the said order was made at the instance or on motion of Col. A. C. Simpson.

I believe every fair minded man in the county will justify the matter upon due consideration of its importance. Any charge against Mr. Crouse to the effect that he received a single dollar of the money is false.

JOHN H. ARNOLD.

SNYDER COUNTY, SS:
May 20th 1873, personally appeared before me, one of the Justices of the Peace in and for said county, John H. Arnold, who being duly affirmed deposes and saith that the foregoing statement is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief. J. H. ARNOLD.

Affirmed and Subscribed before me this 20th day of May, A. D. 1873.

G. W. GRANELLO, J. P.

No. 359 \$300 00
Treasurer of Snyder County,
pay to JOHN H. ARNOLD

Five hundred Dollars.

Witness our hands this 26th day of September, A. D. 1871.

J. MATTIELN,
ISAAC S. LONGAGRE,
PHILIP KINNEY.

Attest: A. J. PERSS Commissioners
Clark.

Middleburg, May 20, 1873

This is to certify that the account of Jeremiah Crouse, Prothonotary and Clerk of the Courts of Snyder county, for the year of 1872, were filed by him in the Commissioners office, on the 30th day of December, 1872, as follows to wit:

For Venters, Land Reports & Con-

tractables Bonds \$25.75

For Rail & Bridge Views and Recordings of same \$9.25

For 61 cases removed to Board of Public Charities \$1.15

For Certificates to Grand and Petit Juries, Testimons &c and petit \$15.00

For Recording Elections and filing Co. and Reports \$120.80

For Sweating Juries, Certificates and Indictments \$2.20

For fees in 26 cases in Quarrel \$140.25

For Clerk, Lawyer, and other services \$1.00

for Court, allowed by Com-

missioners \$3.10

Total Charge \$492.10

From this amount must be deducted the following items to wit:

For Fees in the above Common-

wealth cases included and paid to Treasurer, by Mr. Crouse.

For Clerk, Expressage etc. \$24.00

For above \$3.15 \$77.10

Total amt. paid by County \$415.00

And this is further to certify, that

Mr. Crouse did not make out his own account, it having been done by

the Clerk to the Commissioners

that it was afterwards closely examined by the Attorney for the Com-

misioners, several items stricken

and was then Approved by the

officer according to law. And I do

certify further that the said account

contains nothing, but what was strictly

owing to Mr. Crouse according to

the several Fee bills and according

to law, as I verily believe.

A. J. PETERS.

Clerk to Commissioners.

Who Founded the Public schools.

The question of who originated, founded or secured the establishment of the Common Schools of Pennsylvania has been up for discussion in the Constitutional Convention, where the honor was claimed for Thaddeus Stevens, but denied, and a claim set up for Governor George Wolf. It is a fact that Governor Wolf was friendly to the establishment of these schools—that he recommended their establishment in his annual message—but the heat and burden of the fight in the Legislature to secure what the Governor recommended were borne by Mr. Stevens. Had it not been for his eloquence and energy, sustained by such men as Wilmer Worthington, of West Chester, who was then a member of the House, the measure would have been lost, because the power and prestige of Governor Wolf's own party were against it. At the time Mr. Stevens had it universally conceded to him that his championship of the schools saved them. The House, when the eloquence and searching sarcasm of the member from Adams rescued it from its enemies and triumphantly carried it to success. We do not desire to deny Governor Wolf's memory the credit and gratitude due to the which he displayed in behalf of the system of free education, but on the other hand, it must in no manner be attempted to rob the memory of the great commander of the glory which belongs to it, for his services in the same direction. While he lived, and in the midst of the potential influence which he wielded in Congress, an intrepid friend asked Mr. Stevens which of his public works he considered greatest. With the frank unselfishness peculiar to the man he promptly claimed all claim of greatness for anything he ever did, "but," continued he, "I believe I will be remembered by my fellow citizens for what I did in securing the establishment of the common schools of Pennsylvania" or words to that effect; and the people do gratefully remember him for his services.—*State Journal.*

Candidates' Cards.

SENATOR.

ED. POST.—As the time is rapidly approaching for the election of our Senator, we shall be pleased to set a standard for our constituents, and in this connection, beg to advise that we have selected Dr. H. F. WAGENKLELLER as our candidate.

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