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CITY AND SUBURBAN.

THE COURTS.

District Court—Judge Hampton.

FRIDAY, Dec. 13.—In the case of Samuel Graham vs. John Carline & Co.—action for damages for trespass on coal lands—the jury found in favor of plaintiffs the sum of one dollar and six cents.

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Quarter Sessions—Judge Stowe.

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John Burns was indicted for the larceny of a watch, on oath of Ann Shults, but acquitted, the Commonwealth failing to satisfactorily prove the identity of the prisoner. He was remanded, as there are other charges pending against him.

ASSAULT AND BATTERIES.

John Smith and Sarah A. Smith, his wife, were indicted for assault and battery, on oath of Richard and Fanny Splane, and Richard and Fanny Splane and Edward Ingraham were indicted for a like offense on oath of John and Sarah A. Smith. The cases were tried together, and the jury found Smith and wife guilty, and prosecutor, Smith, to pay the costs. Judge Sterrett stated the evidence indicated that the assaults and batteries of which the Smiths were convicted were committed under great provocation, and for this reason he sentenced them to pay merely nominal fines and the costs. His Honor said further that the injury might under the evidence have convicted the Splanes and Ingrahams and that if the case had been submitted the Court would certainly have directed them (the Splanes) to pay the costs in the case in which they were defendants. The clerk was directed to so fix the bill of costs were taxed to them, as they were entitled to none, having been in attendance as Court as defendants.

In an assault and battery case in which John Williams was defendant and William Fawcett prosecutor, the jury acquitted and directed that each party pay one half of the costs.

Lewis Seibert, indicted for an assault and battery on Michael Reynolds, was convicted and sentenced to pay a fine of five dollars and the costs of prosecution.

SENTENCED.

Hiram Daly, indicted for the larceny of horse and buggy and harness, taking property from Shuman & Co., of Dover county, and disposing of it in Allegheny City, was sentenced to pay a fine of one hundred dollars and to undergo an imprisonment of three months imprisonment in the Penitentiary.

THE BILL FOR LIBEL.

The Grand Jury returned a true bill for libel against Daniel O'Neill, on oath of J. B. O'Neill.

Common Pleas—Judge Mellon.

FRIDAY, December 13.—The case of Patrick H. Pierce vs. the Pittsburgh and Birmingham Passenger Railway Co.—action for damages—was concluded. The jury found for the plaintiff in the sum of one dollar and six cents.

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