

MIFFLINTOWN.

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EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

The authorities of Rhode Island, state that it has just been discovered that there has not been a legal marriage in the Commonwealth within the past 50 years for the reason that the persons performing the marriage ceremony have not registered every year as they are required to do by law. The Legislature will be asked to pass an act legalizing the marriage services performed by unlicensed clergymen.

In Korea in many generations past and up to the present time, the top-knot of hair on men's heads has been considered sacred. The king determined to institute a reform and cut off the top knot. He met with great opposition. To institute the reform he had his top-knot cut off and then took a good cry. What a lesson. What a slave people can make of themselves to social customs, political customs, business customs, out of hair and dress, and the slavery of that kind is not confined to the Japanese.

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The cases in the Common Pleas court were all continued, except two, as hereafter reported.

J. C. Crownover vs. William D. Walls, Samuel E. Pannabaker and George S. Conn. Judgment. The defendants admitted the facts and a verdict was rendered for the land, to be released upon the payment by defendants of \$553.50, within one calendar month from date of verdict.

Elias J. Clark vs. John Adams. Disputed issue. Settled by the parties.

Court adjourned on Thursday noon, to March 10th, 1896.

## PUBLIC SALES.

Court convened at 10 o'clock a.m., on Monday, February 3rd, 1896.

The constables made their returns.

The Grand Jury was sworn and charged.

Constable Leight was appointed to wait on the Grand Jury, and Crimmins and Sellers to wait on the Court.

The Court read and filed opinions on the following cases:

John Denton, Jr. and Byron L. Shuman, plaintiff in error, &c., vs. Henry Miller, defendant in error, &c. Certiorari to Judgment and proceedings of William Fry, J. P. Judge of Justice set aside.

Overruling of the Poor of the borough of Patterson vs. Officers of the borough of Milliflontown. Appeal by Milliflontown from removal of James Jacobs. Appeal dismissed, and order of removal confirmed.

Susquehanna vs. Monroe, appeal by Monroe, from order of removal of Fred Strawser and family. Appeal dismissed, and order of removal confirmed. The Grand Jury was called, sworn and charged by the Court.

D. W. Harley vs. Maurice Leonard and Elizabeth Leonard. Answer of D. W. Harley to rule to show cause why judgment should not be opened, filed.

In estate of G. M. Graham, deceased. Return to order to mortgage made, and mortgage as therein reported, confirmed.

Estate of William Shope, deceased. An order to sell real estate was granted.

Fornahay vs. Fayette. Appeal from order of removal of Stewart Wilson Page, filed.

B. F. Burchfield, filed his report as Auditor in assigned estate of C. C. Graybill.

In the matter of the rule to certify Milliflontown as the last legal settlement of William W. Bratton, a minor.

Answer of Milliflontown. Overruled.

Howard Kirk vs. H. E. Warner defendant and J. N. Keller and Mrs. Joshua Fornahay, garnishes. Interrogatories filed and rule to answer granted.

Estate of James H. Sheets, minor child of James B. Sheets, deceased. Demur to petition for review, filed.

Thomas K. Beaver was appointed guardian of Phoebe, Cara L. and Rebecca Mauger, minor children of Wm. Mauger, deceased.

Samuel I. Stoner was admitted to practice law in the several courts of Juniata county.

Austin Strawser, charged with fornication and bastardy with Cora M. Foltz, renewed his recognition to April term.

Commonwealth vs. John Weller. Assault and battery. Samuel E. Ard, prosecutor. Verdict, not guilty and prosecutor to pay the costs. From the testimony in this case, it appeared Samuel Ard the prosecutor had been furnished whisky at Harry Hayes' bar in Patterson, and a rule was served on Mr. Hayes to show cause why his license should not be revoked for selling liquor to known habitual drunkards. The rule was heard on Thursday and after listening to the statements of Mr. Hayes, the rule was discharged. The evidence also disclosed the fact, that two of the Commonwealth's witnesses had assisted to rescue Ard from the custody of John Weller, the defendant, who is a railroad police officer, and who was trying to arrest Ard for drunkenness, and the court directed that they find security for their good behavior for one year.

Commonwealth vs. Warren J. Moffitt, Sadie P. Moffitt, Dr. Thomas Pyle and Mrs. Pyle. Indicted for fornication and for abandoning a newborn babe, born of the body of Sadie P. Moffitt, wife of Warren J. Moffitt, on the 2nd day of October last, and placing the same in the yard of Mrs. Jerome Thompson, near Mexico. This case was before the Grand Jury at the December term, at which time a true bill was found. When this case was called on Monday, the defendants elected to be tried separately. Warren J. Moffitt

was then put on trial and a strong case of circumstantial evidence was made out by the Commonwealth. The defendants showed by medical testimony that Mrs. Warren J. Moffitt never had given birth to the child, which it was alleged they had abandoned. Verdict, not guilty. Dr. Thomas S. Pyle and Mrs. Pyle was then not pressed.

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