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OF

KENT COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY

GEORGE A. HANSON, M. A.

(8.) Capt. Robt. Vaughan Complaines against the Estate of Andrew Hanson, deceased, for seven hundred and fiftie pounds of tob. due to the said Vaughan by bill and accompt; and having made appear to ye Court, that his demand is Justly due & ye bill and accompt still Owinge: The Court doth therefore Order that out of ye Estate, of ye sd Hanson, present payment bee made of ye seven hundred & fiftie pounds of tob to ye plaintiff, els Execution.

(9.) George Hall Complaines against Wm. Leeds for four hundred pounds of tob., due by bill from the sd Leeds & his Mate Tarrent late deceased: And hath made his Complaint appear & that his demand is Justly due: The Court doth therefore Order that present payment bee made of ye sd. debt of foure hundred pounds of tob in cask at one entire payment to ye plaintiff, with Court Charges els Execution; & ye plaintiff to allow half ye Court Charges.

(10.) Mr. Henry Carlin Complaines against Mr. Bradnox in an Action of defamation & hath produst two witnesses to prove his Complaint.

The defendant desires a Refference to ye next Court, then & there to be Issued, & determined, Which ye Court is pleased to graunt.

(11.) Mr. Wm. Eliot & John Ringgold Complaine against John Salter & William Price & Jane the wife of John Salter in an action of suspicion of theft; many hoges being lost amongst the neighbours & sume of theire owne hoges gone that disappeared about whom very strangely of a sudon; & pork, often seene in theire house & had no hogs of theire owne to kill, other particulars suspicions about killinge of hoggs & havinge porke in their houses, sumetymes denieinge, sumetymes afirminge, off & on, in their Answers; with many other circumstances givinge just occasion of suspicion and moreover A piece of pork Singed & fatt taken in the search by the Constable, & shoed in Court at the board, could no way be convinced to bee as the defendant; Ansd to the Charge; that the thick fatt, singed piece of meat was part of a wild small hog that was kild; the eares were demanded in Court, the plaintiff's answer was, that hee layd them by him, & the dogge eat them.

Mr. Elliott plaintiffe desires ye parties or defendants may be examined apart, that two of the three may bee taken away, which is graunted.

Ques.—William Price Examined. Q. Where had you all this meat that hath beene found in your house, hafinge no hogs of your own to kill?

Ans.—I kild none, but hee killd a couple, and then one; the eares are at home but the doggs eat the eares of one (it was replied) but piggs & small shoates are not fatt pork, his answer proving the Charges. I'll answer your law or suffer ye law.

Ques.—Where were they kild and when were they killd?

Ans.—One was kild about October & December thereabouts; (where?) about the house.

Mr. Loid said It appears you kild a wild hogg or hoggs; make it appear by the eares or satisfy the law (Price) I kild not this hoggs, he saith it was a wild hogg.

Ques.—John Salter, Examined. When kild you those hoggs & what one?

Ans.—I kild one, two months agoe; one I kild was white, another grisled, & I kild one sow shote, of a year and a half ould that this piece is of: (was this piece unmarkt) Ay and it was this that the dogge eate ye eares.

Deposition.

Mrs. Francis Morgan, aged 30 yeares or therabouts, sworne, examined and saith, That ye morn after Leo was buried Jane Salter Coming to your deponents house, shee asked her if shee had kild any hogg lately that your deponent might borrow some; shee sayd no; your deponent asked her, then whence had you that singed pork that was taken in your house; and shee answered, It was the shoulder that widdow Bright gave her, And that Mathew Reed kild two hoggs at the head of the new Ordinarie & her husband helpt him whome with them and granny Bright gave him for his paynes a shoulder, & that shee stewed with potatoes & goodie Winchester eat of it, & your deponent answered, I warrant it was ye hogg that was kiled and the gutts cast into ye creek, and she Answered Ay bee God was it; your deponent answered: tis strange Mathew Reed would singe his hoggs & cast the gutts into ye creke & lose the fatt: And she answreed; Ay bee God did he, & further saith not.

Signed FRANCES MORGAN.

The determination of this Action Reserved to the next Court.

(12.) Mr. Morgan Complaines against the Estate of Andrew Hanson, late deceased, for one hundred and two pounds of tob. & produst an accompt.

Mr. Henry Morgan sworne, Examined and saith that the accoumpt hee hath brought into ye Court amounting to ye sume of one hundred & two pounds of tob. is a Just & truee debt & that he hath received no part nor parcell thereof.

The Cout doth therefore Order out of ye Estate of ye sd Hanson present payment to bee made of the aforesaid debt, els Execution.

(13.) Mrs. Marsh by her Attorney Mr. Hynson Complaines against the estate of Andrew Hanson, deceased, for ten thousand seven hundred and fifteen pounds of tobacco and Cask. The debt beinge proved;

The Court doth therefore Order that present paymnt be made out of ye Estate of the sayd Hanson of the two thousand seaven hundred and fifteen pounds of t ob. and cask to ye plaintiff els Execution.

(14.) Mrs. Marsh, Widdow, by her Attorney Mr. Thos. Hynson, Complaines against the estate of Valerus Leo deceased, for One thousand two hundred twenty eight pounds of tob. and Cask, The debt being proved.

The Court doth therefore Order that present payment be made out of the Estate of ye sayd Valerus Leo of the one thousand two hundred twentie eight pounds of tob. and caske to ye plaintiffe els execution.

(15.) Mr. Joseph Wickes Complaines against the estate of Edward Tarrant, deceased, for tenn dayes worke 15 bls tob. a day 150

And ffor the sd Tarrant's ffuneral expenses 250

The plaintiffe having made the whole debt appear justly due of 400

The Court doth therefore Order that present payment bee made out of ye estate of ye sayed Edward Tarrant of ye foure hundred pounds of tob. to the plaintiffe els execution.

(16.) Wm. Leedes petitions ye Court That whereas he stands Ingaged for ye payment of severall debts due by bill and Accompts which were to bee equally payd by himselfe and Edward Tarent, deceased, as will be Justly proved, & that hee is like to be much damnified by Incombrances & suites of Law for that part of the aforesaid debts that is Justly due to be payd Out of ye Estate of the said Tarrent, & no way owinge from himselfe.

Now whereas ye Estate of ye sd Tarent deceased is in ye charge & custodie of Capt. Joseph Wickes, hee being overseer to ye Estate.

The plaintiffe humbly Craves that ye sd Estate may bee liable to make payment of that part or that halfe of those debts that ye sd Tarrent stood indebted to pay at ye time of his death.

And that there may be no doubt or scruple in ye Cause, hee hath drawne up all ye particulars as followeth & placed ye debts in their due place & Order as they ought to bee payd; those under his own name he owes to discharge & those under Tarrents name his estate is liable to pay.

Debts due by bill & account from Wm. Leedes and ye Estate of Edward Tarrent deceased.

		Leedes debts	Tarrents
By ce to Mr. Hynson	1350	675	675
By bill to Robt. Martin	1000	500	500
By bill to Geo. Hall by bill to Mr. Browne	0420	210	210
By bill & act. to Capt. Wickes	0566	283	283
By bill to Mr. Hinson	0520	260	260
By acct to Mr. Conier	0215	107	107
By acct to Jno Winchester	0200	100	100
Byce to Mr. Bradnox	0164	082	082
	0020	010	010
Sume total	4455	2227	2227

The Plaintiffe havinge given just satisfaction to ye Court that his demand is Just & equal and in all particulars hath made apparent his declaration, with Just proof.

The Court doth therefore Order that all those debts that Edward Tarrent and at the tyme of his death (having appeared by Just proof) and are now to be payd out of his estate, shall be payd and discharged by ye forementioned Capt. Joseph Wickes overseer to ye sd estate; Or otherwise that ye sayd Capt. Joseph Wickes shall save, keep harmless, & undamnified the sayd Leeds from all & every part of ye fforementioned Tarrents debts.

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Janvier led all Kent schools in attendance for October by chalking up a perfect mark for the month. Miss Frances G. Orr is the teacher at Janvier. Second place in the attendance race went to Sassafras, taught by Miss Edna B. Peaper, with a mark of 98.1, while the 97.9 mark established by Swan Creek, taught by Miss Miriam Kirby, took third place.

Galena High, Miss Lelia N. Ware, principal, continued to hold first place in the High School division, an honor which seems to have gotten to be a habit with the upper county school.

The complete list of attendance marks for the month as compiled by Mrs. May Mills Beck, attendance officer, is as follows:

1. Janvier	100.
2. Sassafras	98.1
3. Swan Creek	97.9
4. Worton	96.6
5. Cliffs	96.5
6. Kennedyville	96.4
7. Skinner's Neck	96.3
8. Chesterville	95.7
9. Chestertown	95.7
10. Lynch	95.5
11. Still Pond	95.4
12. St. Paul	94.8
13. Massey	94.7
14. Millington	94.5
15. Rock Hall	94.3
16. Piney Neck	94.1
17. Betterton	93.5
18. Locust Grove	93.2
19. Galena	93.1
20. Fairlee	90.1
21. Pomona	88.9
22. Morgnec	88.7

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1.—Galena	96.7
2. Chestertown	94.3
3. Rock Hall	93.9
4. Millington	91.8

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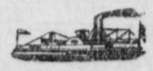
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