

GRANTS THE JUDGE'S OFFICE

Hundreds of Estates Despoiled for the Benefit of Clerks and Attaches Already Drawing Good Salaries.

That the county judge's office as administered under the present regime is a nest of grafters has long been known. To what extent the petty plundering has been going on is being only gradually disclosed. Below is found a list of fees absorbed by clerks and attaches out of the estates of widows and orphans passing through the office.

The pretended justification of this dollar-a-clerk graft is that the clerk is charging for tacking up three pieces of paper to neighboring telegraph poles giving notice to creditors to present their claims.

The pretended justification of the items of graft relating to swearing administrators is that the clerks administer the oaths to one another as notaries instead of in their official capacities as court attaches.

Well informed lawyers say that there is no excuse for such avarice; that clerks who are drawing public salaries have no right to charge up fees for work done in the regular line of duty; that even if there were legal warrant for charging up fees, the fees would belong to the county and should be covered into the county treasury along with the other fees of the office instead of being pocketed by the clerks.

Read over the list of estates that have suffered from this graft and see if any of your friends' names are among them. The name of the estate comes first, then the docket number and page on which the entry is made, then the date, then the name of the clerk who pocketed the money and finally the amount of the graft.

DOCKET NO. TWELVE

Table listing estate names, docket numbers, dates, and names of clerks/attaches. Includes entries like Mary Reed, Anna Evans, M. L. Sugarman, etc.

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DOCKET NO. ELEVEN

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Wreck on Short Line. A bad freight wreck occurred at Border station on the Oregon Short Line, in which two locomotives were wrecked and several cars broken up. The accident was caused by a "lap" order, getting the two trains together head on. Two unidentified tramps, who were stealing a ride, were seriously injured and both may die. Engineer cause and Brakeman Haggins were slightly injured. Trains were delayed several hours.

Wyoming Miner Killed. DIAMOND MINE, Nov. 29. (Special.)—John J. Marich, a coal miner in No. 1 shaft, was instantly killed yesterday by a fall of rock. His back and legs were crushed and broken.