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An Important Decision.

The following is the opinion of the Supreme Court of this State in the case of the Homestead Building and Loan Association vs. Enslow, in which it was held that a party could not claim a Homestead exemption as against a mortg ge:

SUPREME COURT-NOVEMBER TERM-1875.

Homestead Building and Loan Association, vs. J. A. Enslow, Respondent, and C. B. L. Association, et. al. Appellant—Opinion—Willard, A. J.

The defendant Enslow, the head of a family, residing within this State, mortgaged in 1871 the premises on which he resided with his family. The premises appear to be such as might be considered a family homestead within the sense of the Constitution allowing exemption from certain process, as against premises so held and occupied. These premises have been sold under a decree foreclosing such mortgage, and a portion of the purchase money arising from such sale is held under a decree of the Circuit Court ascertaining that the defendant Enslow is entitled to the same in right of his claim to homestead exemption as against his mortgage of said premises.

The appeal is from that decree, and alledges that the homestead right cannot be asserted as against the mort gage made by Euslow.

There is no doubt but that Enslow could make a valid mortgage. A homestead had never been actually set apart.

The homestead provisions do not in terms prevent the owner of lands from mortgagin · them. Such an intent cannot be enforced as against the common law right of dominion unless it is found to be essential to the operation of the homestead provisions as it regards the specific object of these pro-

All that the Constitution seeks to accomplish is to prevent premises so hald and occupied from being subjected to process for the purpose of enforcing obligations of a certain character. Art. 2, Sec. 32.

- The right of dominion of the owner of ands, including the power to lien or incumler, is not, either directly or indirectly, the subject of this provision. The whole force of the constitutional provision is expended in preventing interference in certain cases with that provision.

The Statutes, in pursuance of this clause of the Constitution, do not enlarge the nature or operation of the bomestcad provision of the Constitu-tion. Whether the Legislature had not the right to extend the measure of relief afforded to the heads of families by the section above cited, under a mere general grant of Legislative authority conferred by Sec. 20, 1st of stitution, need not be considered at this time, for no such exercise of authority beyond the terms of Sec. 32, Art. 2. has been attempted.

The Statutes (Gen. Statutes 474) merely provides specific means for accomplishing that which constituted the end and purpose of the constitution as contained in Sec. 32, Art. 2.

Had the mortgagee obtained possession of the mortgaged premises otherwise than by proceedings for their sale, either under autherity conferred by law or the contract of the parties, on the mortgagee, no question under the Constitution affecting the rightfulness of that possession could have arisen.

It remains then, only, to consider whether a judicial sale for the foreclosure of the mortgage is embraced under this discription 'attachment, levy or sale on any mesne or final process issued from any court" contained in Sec. 32, Art. 2.

The portion of that section involved in the present construction is as follows: "The family homestead of the head of each family residing in this State, such homestead consisting of dwelling house, out buildings and lands appurtenant, not to exceed the value of one thousand dollars, and yearly product thereof, shall be exempt from attachment, levy or sale on any mesne or final process issued from any Court."

It is obvious that process issued to enforce a judgment or decree for the payme t of money, and which may be enforced against the whole estate of the judgment debtor is here intended. To extend the sense of the Constitution as demanded by the respondent Enslow would be equivalent to holding that no judgment nor order of any Court could bind such a homestead so as to disturb the possession of the occupant. This is manifestly beyoud the intention of the Constitution.

It is noticeable that the exemption conferred by the Constitution is not limited in terms to the head of a family holding premises, occupied as a family homestead, by rightful title. Nor can this be regarded as an in-

Constitution was merely to shield the possession of the family homestead against creditors having only a general right to subject the lands of their debtors to their judgments; for as against judgment creditors at large there is as much reason for protecting a homestead held by a defective title as one held by good title. But the have to be changed, if we are to suppose that no judgment or order of any Court could become the means of ousting the possession of the head of covered by one having good title to the premises against one holding under a

defective title. If we attempt to meet this difficulty by interpolating words in the Consti tution, confining the right of exemption to cases where the person claiming such exemption holds by rightful title, then we disturb the provisions and deprive them of their obvious fitness, as they stand, to provide protection against judgment creditors having no other right to the land than that arising from the operation of process issued to enforce a money judgment or decre.

The view just presented is conformable to what was said by the Court in Shelor vs. Nason (2 S. C 238.)

The sale for foreclosure was not forbidden by the Constitution as it regards the homestead in question, and the mortgagor has no right to claim any part of the proceeds of sale, by reason of the alledged compation of he mortgaged premises as a family homestead.

The judgment below must be modified accordingly. .

The opinion concurred in by Chie; Justice Moses and Associate Justice

Romance of a Ring.

Some time ago a wealthy young gentleman of Washington was engag-ed to be married to a beautiful belle of Morgantown, of this tate, and a brilliant "aggiety wedding" was looked forward to by the friends of both parties; particularly the young lady intimates of the prospective bride. But the course of true love was true to the proverb about true love in generat, and about a month ago the engagement was broken off, Low or why does not concern this story, though the whole affair may possibly be rudely dragged before the public by unromantic lawyers, and for no fault-in less carelessness is a crime-of either of the parties. Of course, her engage-ment broken, the young lady quickly sent back her ring, and the quickest way she could think of was by mail, so by mail it went - that is, it started from Morgantown, but never reached ing May the 9th 1876, at which time Washington. The gentleman made no inquiries about it, and but for a competitors as follows : train of events that couldn't possibly For the largest and have been arranged by chance, might have gone on thinking that his former fiancee was mercenary enough to hold on to the magnificent ring that had been a token of her loyalty to him. But the mysterious destiny that shapes our ends ordered it otherwise. A few weeks ago one of the Morgantown young lady's friends saw the ring on the hand of a lady in the same town, who was not acquainted with the first named, and consequently did not know the ring nor its history Investigation was at once begun, and a few days' time and very little trouble traced the ring to a clerk in the Fair mont post office, who, it is alleged, had stolen it from the mail, loaned it to a gentleman friend at Mannington, who made it do duty as an engagement ring for his fiancee in Morgantown! The Fairmont post-office clerk was arrested by the government officials and will be tried in the United States District Court at Parkersburg some time during this month. To the trial of the post-office clerk will be summoned the young lady who "sent back the ring," and possibly all parties connected with it, including the Mannington gentlerian and his fiancee. Should the question of the ownership of the ring come up, it will prove a knotty one. To whom does or did the ring belong at the time of its loss?
The case will be an interesting one at alt events, and highly so if it should be necessary to prove the ownership of the alleged stolen property.-Wheeling (W. Va.) Intelligencer.

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Capital punishment-Hanging on tentional omission, if the object of the the neck of a pretty girl.

A Shower of Flesh.

DESCRIPTION OF A REMARKABLE PHENOMENON IN KENTUCKY.

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Droves of chickens and hogs swarm ed around the place and ate the flesh with great gusto. The inhabitants for miles around came for several days after and collected specimens. Hundreds are willing to testify by affidavit to the truth of the entire

Professor J. Lawrence Smith, a scientist, says the substance is of an animal nature. When the flakes fell they were from the size of a pen to that of a human finger, and an eighth of an inch in thickness, and of the color of flesh. They have since assumed a dull red and white hue, and are somewhat withered. A butcher ate one flake and pronounced it very palatable, but was unable to say what kind of an animal the flesh came from. The inhabitants of the locality where the phenomenon occurred approached the flesh with superstitious awe, and at first would not touch it.

"Mamma," said a thoughtful youngster the other day, "how old shall I be the listhday?" "Six, my son, if you live." "Well, suppose I don't live, can't I go right on having birthdays like George Washington?" There are some older boys who would like to have their birthdays "go right

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J. P. M. FOURES,

Trial Justice.

NOTICE

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The Revised Statutes of the United States. Sections 3232, 3237, 3238, and 3239, require every person engaged in any busirequire every person engaged in any business, avocation, or employment which renders him liable to a Special Tax, to procure and place conspicuously in his establishment or place of Business a Stamp denoting the payment of said Special Tax for the Special Tax year beginning May, 1, 1876, before commencing or continuing business after April 30, 1876.

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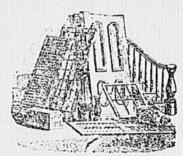
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