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PIGS ARE PIGS

In *Kolkman v. People*, No. 12651, a case involving a theft of hogs, decided by the Supreme Court on May 11, 1931, the majority opinion, written by Mr. Justice Alter occupies 26 sheets of foolscap. The concurring opinion of Mr. Justice Burke occupies 5 such sheets, the concurring opinion of Mr. Chief Justice Adams takes 2, the dissenting opinion of Mr. Justice Butler takes 23, and the dissenting opinion of Mr. Justice Hilliard takes 23.

In the course of his opinion Mr. Chief Justice Adams remarks: "No one can fail to be entertained by Mr. Justice Hilliard's dissertation on the subject of French kings, but what about Charley's hogs?"

Yes, and what about practicing lawyers that have to pay \$3.50 a volume for the Colorado reports?

PHILLIPS COUNTY—THE LAND OF OPPORTUNITY

Wouldst be a proud father or doting mother without the expense and care of children? Wouldst? Then list to the words of Mr. Justice Hilliard in *Duncan v. People*, No. 12808, decided May 25, 1931.

Says Hilliard, J.: "The plaintiffs in error constitute the board of directors of school district No. 11, Phillips County, and hereinafter will be referred to as the board. The defendants in error are resident property owners, taxpayers and parents of children of school age, hereinafter called the parents."

DISSENT *A LA* TEXAS

From *Battles v. State*, 63 Tex. Crim. 176: "After reviewing the opinion of my brethren I have reached the conclusion it is unnecessary to do more than to enter my dissent without extended comment. I am persuaded that a casual reading of the opinion will be sufficient to demonstrate its legal unsoundness, as well as to discover the incongruities and fallacies to be found in it."

CRIMINAL LAW SECTION

"The exception itself deprives an accused party of a most inestimable privilege secured to him by the 9th section of article 13 of our constitution, 'to meet the witness face to face', so that, by cross-examination, the truth may be eliminated." *Marshall v. Chicago R. Co.*, 48 Ill. 477.

HOW ABOUT SPLIT INFINITIVES?

"The court is presumed to know the letters of the alphabet when they are plainly written." *First National Bank v. Hacoda*, (Ala.) 53 So. 802.

IT DEPENDS WHICH SIDE YOU ARE ON

"Now, the quality of justice or injustice in a given transaction does not depend upon or vary with the name or character of the court under whose jurisdiction it is brought for consideration." *Baltimore & Ohio R. Co. v. Bouvier*, 79 N. J. Eq. 174.

FRENCH KINGS?

"Mulattoes, negroes, malays, whites, millionaires, paupers, princes, and kings, in the courts of Mississippi, are on precisely the same exactly equal footing." *Hampton v. State*, 88 Miss. 257.

ANSWER YES OR NO!

"Whether such an instrument is a deed or a will can only be decided in the affirmative." *Islor v. Griffin*, (Ga.) 67 S. E. 855.

YEAH

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