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DECISIONS IN COMMERCIAL LAW.

BEECHLEY V. MULVILLE.—An agreement to fix uniform rates of insurance has been held by the Supreme Court of Iowa to be within the meaning of a statute of Iowa which provides that "if any corporation organized under the laws of this State, or any other State or country, for transacting or conducting any kind of business in this State, or any partnership or individual, shall create, enter into, become a member of or party to any pool, trust, agreement, combination or confederation with any other corporation, partnership or individual to regulate or fix the price of oil, lumber, coal, grain, flour, provisions, or any other commodity or article whatever; or shall create, enter into, become a member of or party to any pool, agreement, combination or confederation to fix or limit the amount or quantity of any commodity or article to be manufactured, mined, produced or sold in this State, shall be deemed guilty of a conspiracy to defraud, and be subject to indictment or punishment."

PRATT V. SOUTH-EASTERN RAILWAY CO.—The usual condition on a railway company's cloak-room ticket, that the company will not be responsible for any package exceeding the value of £10, applies not alone to the loss of the package, but it protects from liability for damage done to the package, as well as loss, according to an English Divisional Court.

CUNNINGHAM V. BUCKEY.—An innkeeper or hotelkeeper is a guarantee for the conduct of all members of his household, including those engaged in his service, and is liable for thefts committed by them of the property of his guests while asleep in rooms assigned them; and the fact that a guest is intoxicated, or that the door of his room is unlocked, will not relieve the landlord of any responsibility. This is a judgment of the Court of Appeal of West Virginia.

ZACHERY V. MOBILE AND O. R. R. CO.—The Supreme Court of Mississippi refused to extend the rule which permits a common carrier to refuse to accept for passage persons who are so infirm as to require the care of an attendant, to the case of one, who, though blind, was strong and robust; and held that the agents of the company were guilty of a wrong in refusing to sell such a person a ticket solely on the ground that he was blind, and not accompanied by anyone.

TURNER V. ST. CLAIR TUNNEL CO.—Where the defendant company has sent the plaintiff who was in its employ on the American side of the St. Clair Tunnel, over to the Canadian side, to work at that entrance, the Supreme Court of Michigan decided that the right of the plaintiff to recover for the negligence of the defendant in allowing him to enter on dangerous work there was governed by the laws of Canada.

SMITH V. SAN FRANCISCO AND N. P. RY. CO.—The Supreme Court of California held that a person is not entitled to vote at the meetings or elections of a corporation upon stock in which he has never had any interest, but which is registered in his name for the purpose of enabling the real owner to avoid statutory liabilities, since he is not a *bona fide* stockholder, within the meaning of the statute.

"BICYCLISTS," so the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania has decided, are subject to the same rule as pedestrians to ensure safety on approaching railway crossings, and must bring their wheels to a stop to "enable them to look up and down the track and listen."

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