

THE ORTON DIVORCE

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JUSTICE WRIGHT GRANTS THE DEFENDANT \$50 FOR COUNSEL FEES

In Justice Wright's Special Term at Oswego Saturday, the court allowed Mrs. Mary E. Orton \$50 counsel fees with which to make her defense to the divorce action brought against her by her husband Pardon C. Orton. They were married on Christmas day, 1860, in the town of Onondaga and lived together until April 1890. The plaintiff says this separation took place because of his wife's unfaithfulness and she says it was owing to unkind and inconsiderate treatment received from her husband and her son, Almon B. Orton, and at request of her husband she rented a saloon and boarding house directly across the road from his place and says that he made his home at her place but did not contribute toward her support.

The fruit of this marriage are three children, two daughters and one son, all of whom are of age. Mrs. Orton blames her son for the bringing of the action, claiming that if, in consequence of a divorce being granted, she would be cut off from her dower right in her husband's property that afterward his estate would be so transferred that her two daughters would fail to share in it. She denies the charges made in the complaint.