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Fancher Furniture Agrees to Verdict Cut to \$120,000

Little Valley, (A.P.)—The Fancher Furniture Co. of Salamanca has agreed to accept a reduced award of damages against a glue manufacturer unless an appeal is sought.

Justice Hamilton Ward of State Supreme Court granted a motion Nov. 17 to set aside an original jury verdict of \$220,000 damages against Arabol Manufacturing Co. of New York City.

A Cattaraugus County jury decided Nov. 9 that glue bought from Arabol by Fancher was defective. The jury awarded \$120,000 for damages and another \$100,000 for "loss of reputation and good will."

Justice Ward held this was excessive and ruled that unless Fancher agreed to a reduced award of \$120,000 there must be a new trial.

In a stipulation filed with the county clerk here yesterday, Fancher agreed to the decision provided no appeal was filed by Arabol. Should Arabol appeal, Fancher attorneys said, they reserve the right to seek the original damages granted by the jury.

Meanwhile, Ward agreed to grant Fancher an additional allowance of \$2,000 permitted under the law "in a difficult and extraordinary case" plus \$1,081.28 in costs.