

graphical conditions, and takes advantage of them, he may slay his foe and escape all punishment. A gentleman standing in North Carolina maliciously shot and killed another who was just across the boundary in Tennessee. He was tried in North Carolina for murder, and acquitted on the ground that the crime was committed in Tennessee, and the North Carolina Court had no jurisdiction (*The State v. Hall*, 114 N. C. 909; 41 Am. St. Rep. 822). Then the Tennessee authorities tried to lay hold of him and bring him thither for trial by extradition proceedings; but the North Carolina Court held that he could not be extradited, because he was not 'a fugitive from justice.' The Court cited Alabama, Massachusetts, and Ohio decisions in point. Two judges, however, dissented from this conclusion, and argued that the offender was constructively a fugitive.

LAWYERS IN PARLIAMENT.—The *London Law Journal* says: "The total number of lawyers in the House of Commons is 150, which is considerably in excess of the number in previous Parliaments. The legal profession forms, therefore, nearly one-fourth of the whole legislative body. A contemporary has complained of the predominance of the legal profession in the House of Commons; but the matter is entirely one for the electorate, whose choice of lawyers simply proves that those who are concerned with the administration of the law are best qualified to serve as legislators."

PRACTISING PEERS.—According to a late doctrine, it was contrary to etiquette for a Privy Councillor to practise at the Bar, but this usage was disregarded when Sir Henry James became Right Honourable. Other conventional restrictions have been abolished. Macaulay tells how the first Duke of Bedford long refused to exchange his earldom for a dukedom, on the ground that 'an earl who had a numerous family might send one son to the Temple and another to a counting-house in the city; but the sons of a duke were all lords, and a lord could not make his bread at the Bar or on 'Change.' There are lords at the Bar now, a son of the present Prime Minister among them, and not only lords by courtesy, but at least one Peer of Ireland and one Peer of the United Kingdom who are in practice, more or less extensively. —*World*.