

PERSONAL PROPERTY.—The Supreme Court of Justice of Belgium has just been called upon to decide a novel and extraordinary question. One of the leading surgeons of Brussels had occasion, about a year ago, to amputate the right leg of a young married lady belonging to the highest circles of the aristocracy. The operator was so pleased with the job that he preserved the leg in a jar of spirits of wine and placed it on exhibition in his consulting room, a card being affixed to the jar giving the patient's name and the details concerning the circumstances which had rendered the operation necessary. On hearing this, the husband of the lady demanded the immediate discontinuance of the exhibition and the return of the severed member as being his property. To this the surgeon demurred. He admitted that the plaintiff had property rights in the leg while it formed part of his wife, but argued that the leg in its present condition was the result of his (defendant's) skill and the work of his own hands, and that he was clearly entitled to keep it. The court seemed rather staggered by this line of argument, and after taking a fortnight to consider the question has finally decided against the doctor and in favour of the husband's claim to the possession of the amputated leg of his better half.—*Central Law Journal.*

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HILARY TERM.

Monday, February 4th, 1895.

Present, between ten and eleven a.m., the Treasurer, and Messrs. Bayly, Moss, and Shepley, and in addition, after eleven a.m., Sir Thomas Galt, and Messrs. Watson, Ritchie, and Bruce.

The minutes of Saturday, 22nd December, 1894 were confirmed.

Ordered, that the following gentlemen be called to the Bar: Messrs. J. Dickson, J. R. Logan, and H. J. Sims (Mr. Logan with honours and bronze medal).

Ordered, that the following gentlemen do receive certificates of fitness: Messrs. J. Dickson and J. H. Spence; and that Mr. John Ashworth's service under articles be allowed, notwithstanding failure to file articles at the proper time.

The Treasurer laid on the table a copy of the Report of His Honour Judge McDougall made in the matter of a certain investigation conducted