

mirth which discomposed the Court, and at the close of which the counsel borrowed a five dollar bill from each of his companions, who were just a little suspicious of his manner and incredulous as to his need, but as they had perfect faith in his solvency, and as each of them had return tickets to Guelph where their next sitting was to be held, none of them felt it unwise to leave themselves with but few dollars remaining in their purses.

The Court having now risen, all wended their way to the kindly gast-haus, some expressing their desire for a parting glance at its inmates, buxom or burly, and some for a stirrup-cup, whilst the Junior Judge gave judgment against the local method of cooking ducks.

The ample form of the host filled the door-way. With his long clay pipe in one hand, he smiled and bowed as he handed to the Senior Judge

THE BILL.

Here is a true copy of it :—

"Der Choodges und les Avocats."

1 Gowe pour Lait.	30	Thalers.
1 Rooster, sans Plumes.....	6	"
6 Gooles pour Dinnare.....	6	"
6 Chairs.....	6	"
6 Coteau et Forks.....	5	"
6 Goopes et Sosers.....	6	"
30 Biers au Lager.....	6	"
5 Lodgings a' Chambre.....	10	"
1 Loger au Coucher.....	1	"
2 Botes pour le lac.....	20	"
12 Winns pour le feesh.....	1	"
1 Monge Tonnere.....	1	"
Order tings.....	12	"
Baiser der Madschew.....	10	"

Here was a "stated case," on which the Court were not previously prepared to give judgment; on which the lawyers expressed their "opinions" without first insisting on "retainers," oblivious of the maxim invented by one of their craft to the effect that "He who is his own lawyer has an unwise man for his client," whilst the eyes and mouth of the Stenographer opened so wide that his sleep has ever since that time been disturbed by the lock-jaw.

"The Bill" had been prepared by the Deutch inn-keeper, assisted by a Frenchman who was foreman of the neighboring saw-mill; hence the confusion of languages.

Exclamation in time gave way to enquete and demand for further particulars, when it was explained that the various articles of furniture had been bought specially for that occasion and might never again be required. This was a reasonable explanation, fully justified to date by the fact that the Court could not express any intention of revisiting that locality, nor, unless I am mistaken, has any similar Court been held there since this one whose proceedings are here recorded.

You may, perhaps, imagine the internal sensations of each of the gentlemen when it was ascertained that the "6 Gooles pour Dinnare" were not the six persons who had partaken of the repast, but six "gulls" ordered by the stenographer, under the impression that the beautiful fowl swimming on the bay were "ducks."

The cow for milk was insisted upon as an equitable charge, because no member of the household proper ever drank anything except lager, and as milk had been insisted on, the "Gowe pour lait" had been bought to supply the special demand.

Here was a bill of one hundred and twenty dollars, equal to twenty dollars for each of the party, all of whom blushing repudiated the charge *re* "Baiser der Madschew," and not one of whom had more than ten dollars in his pocket, except the one who had borrowed the "fives."

The Court now gave unanimous judgment in language such as is not commonly heard in Courts where the swearing is generally according to rule, and sometimes is not quite so sincere as it might be.

I refrain from depicting the emotions which now paled the lofty brows or now flushed the cheeks long strangers to blushes; whilst the advocates accused each other in respect to one of