

wards the payment of his debts, and if he fail to use these gifts he came within the provision of the Statute, and therefore liable to commitment on default. This was, perhaps, a "free translation" of the Statute, but a very sensible and righteous one, and there will be few to quarrel with it. There were, if we remember correctly, some other incidents in the cases referred to (coming under sub-sec. 3) which also influenced the learned Judge, but the view he expressed as to the words "means and ability to pay the debt" must meet with commendation, and we hope sometimes be put in force for that unfortunate class of suitors known as "the poor creditor." We do not well see how a Judge's order in such a case could be disturbed, and the class of men mentioned by our correspondent ought to be reached in some way. If they are to escape altogether it should be known.—EDS. L. J.]

New County Court Tariff.

To the Editor of the LAW JOURNAL.

SIR,—A new tariff is badly needed for the County Court, as under the Judicature Act many proceedings have to be taken for which no allowance is made.

I understand that a new tariff was framed and submitted to the Judges for approval. Where is it now? Is it on or under the table?

ANXIOUS SOLICITOR.

Hamilton, Oct. 21st, 1882.

ARTICLES OF INTEREST IN CONTEMPORARY JOURNALS.

Processions in the streets.—*London L. J.*, Sep. 2.
Negligently signing negotiable note.—*Albany L. J.*, Sept. 2.

Duty toward infant trespassing on dangerous premises.—*Ib.*, Sep. 9.

Conveyance of easement by implication.—*Ib.*, Sep. 16, 23.

Covenant not to re-engage in business—Covenantee's discontinuance of business.—*Ib.*, Oct. 7.

Partnership—Implied power to bind the firm by negotiable paper.—*Central L. J.*, Oct. 20.

Witnesses criminating themselves.—*Justice of the Peace.*

Habeas Corpus—Custody of infant.—*Ib.*, Oct. 13.

Privilege of witness as to criminating questions.—*Continued—Irish L. J.*, Sep. 30.

Argument of counsel in criminal cases.—*Crim. Law. Mag.*

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

CHANGES ON THE BENCH IN QUEBEC.—The retirement of Mr. Justice Mackay has opened the way to an arrangement long anticipated, namely, the translation of Mr. Justice Doherty from Sherbrooke to the District of Montreal—the scene of his old trials and triumphs at the Bar. Judge Doherty was appointed to the bench in 1873, and during several years has had considerable experience in the St. Francis District. He is an energetic and conscientious judge, and will, we feel sure, enter upon the duties of his new position with a determination to discharge them faithfully. Mr. Brooks, Q.C., of Sherbrooke, succeeds to the vacancy created in the St. Francis District.—*Legal News.*

In Germany a solicitor sent his bill of costs for business done. In the bill relating to a suit of divorce, he charged the lady one item, thus: "Further, 30 sous for being awake in the night, and having thought over your matter."

Lord Chief Baron Pollock was one of the most dexterous imitators of handwriting, and used to amuse himself by sending letters in other people's names and handwriting, so correct that the person imitated would swear to its being his own work. Many practical jokes arose out of this little amusement.

Justice Maule was singularly dexterous in picking locks, and which he could not only open but close again, with no other appliance than a stout piece of wire. He had acquired the art by the frequent loss of his keys when at the bar. He used to tell the story how upon one occasion he astonished a country locksmith who had been called in and pronounced a portmanteau beyond his skill, and which the judge opened with ease.

Vice-Chancellor Wickens amused himself with binding books, at which trade he was an adept, and had all the elaborate tools and machines to expedite his work, and he turned out his volumes in masterly style.—*Curiosities of Law and Lawyers.*

LITTELL'S LIVING AGE.—This standard weekly magazine reached its two thousandth number with the issue of the week ending October 21st. The contents of the number are:—The Literary Restoration, 1790-1830, *Cornhill Magazine*; The Baroness Helena Von Saarfeld, *Macmillan*; A Venetian Medley, *Fraser*; "Fanaticism" in the East, *Spectator*; "Robin," by Mrs. Parr, author of "Dorothy Fox," etc.; Historical Cookery, *Fraser*; The Welcome of an Inn, *Saturday Review*; "Rachel," *Blackwood*; Moonstruck, *Sunday at Home*, etc. The issue of October 28 (No. 2001) contains:—Natural Selection and Natural Theology, *Contemporary Review*; George Eliot's Children, *Macmillan*; A Visit to Delphi, *Cornhill*; The Cure's Sister, *Argosy*; Lost Love, *Fraser*; Foreign Birds and English Poets, *Contemporary*; "Phiz" and "Boz," *Spectator*; "No New Thing," *Cornhill*, and choice poetry and miscellany.

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