

Lord Alverstone it will be another instance of the undying physical and mental vigor of this ancient people.

Two additional Lords of Appeal in Ordinary are to be appointed. It was thought probable that they might be chosen from the present judiciary, but it is said (by cable) that one of them will be the present Advocate-General of Scotland, Mr. Alexander Ure, K.C.

There may be those who will take exception to this appointment and will question whether Lord Haldane has therein carried out the promise he made to get the very best men available. It is said that the Advocate-General when in Parliament made himself obnoxious in a reference to the claim of the Duke of Buccleuch for compensation for damages to his property on the Thames Embankment. Mr. Ure made a statement known by all lawyers acquainted with the case of *Buccleuch v. Metropolitan Board of Works* to be incorrect and was twitted for either forgetting his law or disregarding the facts. It is said that the only occasion on which that courteous gentleman and experienced parliamentarian, Mr. Balfour used harsh language about a political opponent, was when he criticised the veracity of Mr. Ure in forcible and picturesque language, the words being that the statement objected to was a "frigid and calculated lie." —We do not vouch for the accuracy of the statement, but it was so reported at the time.

Since the above was written, Sir Rufus Isaacs has been appointed Lord Chief Justice of England. He is succeeded by Sir John A. Simon, K.C., V.O., K.C.M.P., Solicitor-General. S. O. Buckmaster, K.C., succeeds him as Solicitor-General.

THE "TURNTABLE" DOCTRINE IN UNITED STATES.

The "turntable doctrine" is that principle of law enunciated for the first time in this country by the Supreme Court of the United States and followed by some of the state courts to the effect that an adult who places a dangerous agency, which, from its nature is attractive to children, where it is accessible to them, may be liable for the injuries caused thereby, though the children