

To the land where the coy *allocu-  
tur*  
Sings a song to the gallant *fi-  
fa*.

Yes, take me away to the court-  
land,  
With text-book and precedents  
packed,  
To assumpsit and trover and tort-  
land,  
Where wives both expand and  
contract.

There I'll choose me a widow dis-  
coverte,  
With a house and an ample  
rent-roll,  
Or at large in the gay market  
overt  
Trip it lightly with tender  
feme sole.

Then be she as fat as a porpoise,  
Or be she but cutis and bone,  
I will issue a habeas corpus,  
And have the dear dame for  
my own.

Her waste will no more be a com-  
mon,  
I shall hold her affections in  
fee;  
Though at one time affianced to  
some one,  
She'll be levant and couchant  
with me.

To the feast I'll invite every Fic-  
tion,  
Every lay-figure known to the  
Court,  
But my fancy outruns all the dic-  
tion  
That would give an idea of  
sport.

Possession makes love to Rever-  
sion,  
Defeasance is friendly with  
Bond,

While Cruelty calls on Deser-  
tion  
To Marriage's toast to respond.

There is Larceny winking at Tro-  
ver,  
And Fraud arm-in-arm with  
Trustee,  
And the Legal Estate is Won  
over,  
And drinks with the third Mort-  
gagee.

Onus twirls in the waltz with Pre-  
sumption,  
And Fiction is flirting with  
Fact,  
While both give the *pas* to As-  
sumption,  
And Argument's rights are in-  
tact.

Estoppel to Waiver makes over-  
ture,  
Due Diligence waits on La-  
chesse,  
Gentle Infancy's setting to Cover-  
ture,  
And Lunacy romps with Dur-  
essc.

Then Divorec bids them all fill  
their glasses,  
And dilates on the soul-stirring  
theme;  
Co-respondent invites all the  
lasses  
To drink deep to the Baron  
and Feme.

—*Australian Law Times*.

### One of His Converts.

The late Judge Geo. G. Wright,  
of Iowa, though a deeply religi-  
ous man, could tell an anecdote  
in an inimitable way. One of  
these anecdotes was concerning  
a Methodist preacher in Iowa,  
who quit the gospel and went  
back to the law and afterwards  
became a judge. Now it happen-  
ed that this judge was supersen-