

in the Act of last session (58 Vict., chapter 12), with this exception, that the words, "except in the County of York" begin the section. The reason of this is obvious.

After the passing of the first Act, it became necessary for a "local judge" to be careful as to how he styled himself, that is, whether a summons or order was granted by him in the High Court as local judge of such court, or as County Judge. Previous to this County Judges had power to act in certain matters outside their own special jurisdiction as judges of the County Court, and their powers in this respect were not limited or interfered with by the passing of the Judicature Act.

In consequence of objections taken, in several instances, on appeal, some County Judges adopted the practice of adding, after their signatures in High Court cases, the letters "Co.J. and L.J.H.C.," so that the practitioner, having "paid his penny," (in such case a 50c. law stamp) could "take his choice."

In the consolidation of the statutes in 1887, the original section of 44 Vict. was preserved in chapter 44, section 157. By an amendment in 1889 (52 Vict., chapter 11, section 1), a new sub-section (2) is added to the original section, by which the power of granting interlocutory injunctions was conferred upon the local judges.

Section 185 (2) of "The Judicature Act 1895," (not yet in force, however,) purports to re-enact this clause; but though the wording is the same, the alteration in punctuation effects a peculiar change. While the original section reads, "... such injunction to remain in force for a period not exceeding eight days as such local judge may direct, unless continued by the High Court. Such injunction shall be by order," etc., the present Act reads, "such injunction to remain in force for a period not exceeding eight days as such local judge may direct; unless continued by the High Court, such injunction shall be by order," etc. The effect of this is to disconnect the words "unless continued by the High Court," from those preceding them, and annex them to those following—a change which though not very material, nor very intelligible, was, we presume, made through inadvertence.

The next legislation was in 1893, by 56 Vict., chapter 11, where third and fourth sub-sections are added, by which jurisdiction is conferred upon the local judge to continue, vary, dis-