

Mr. Becher in this effort, introduces, at page 13, a telegram from his co-trustee, Mr. V. Cronyn, but if fully explained, it would also appear that the objection of the Testator to an immediate distribution, solely arose from anxiety lest the security for the widow's annuity should be diminished, and Mr. Cronyn sends us the following telegrams, with respect to the letter printed by Mr. Becher:

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"LONDON, January 21, 1871.

"F. W. THOMAS,—

"Letter given to rebut imputations against Becher, and expressly forbidden being used against Bill. Mr. Goodhue never gave me any reason whatever for locking up the property.

"V. CRONYN."

"LONDON, January 22, 1871.

"B. CRONYN, Esq, Rossin House.

"Mr. Goodhue's object in locking up property may have been only to secure Mrs. Goodhue's annuity. Nothing he ever said to me contradicts this. He showed great anxiety as to security of property in this country. My letter to Becher contained these words: 'To use to rebut imputations made respecting your conduct in this matter.' It was written with this object alone, and does not contain anything that might lead to different conclusion as to intention of will. Have written fully to Thomas, care of Fred.

"V. CRONYN."

13. In support of the Bill, we printed, as is customary, for the information of Honorable Members, the chief point discussed by our counsel before the Committee, and we could have wished that Mr. Becher had confined himself to a similar course, when he could more properly have claimed to occupy the position taken by counsel on his behalf, of appearing in fulfilment of a simple duty to urge upon the Committee such considerations as were legitimately applicable.

F. W. THOMAS,

B. CRONYN,

*For ourselves and other Petitioners for Bill.*