

when it was over, and as the judges were filing out, Lord Justice Bowen is said to have muttered to one of his learned colleagues:

“And may there be no moaning at the bar
When I put out to sea.”—*Globe*.

DON'T WORRY.—A lawyer's work, like a woman's, is never done; and the secret of personal ease and of longevity lies in the ability to step in and out of the harness, without worry as to results, according to the immediate necessity for work or the present opportunity for relaxation and forgetfulness.—*New York Law Journal*.

THE POINT SETTLED.—Not long since, in the course of a trial before a certain justice of the peace in Texas, counsel for the defendant requested the court to rule on a certain point, whereupon counsel for plaintiff, whose name was Charley, insisted that the court had already passed on the point. After considerable argument, and due deliberation on the part of the court, the justice (who was Irish) said: “Charley, this court has niver passed on that p'int.” “Well,” said Charley, “Will your honor pass on it now?” “I do pass on it now,” responded the court, with infinite dignity. “Well, how does your honor pass on it?” inquired the perplexed counsel. The court straightened himself up, cleared his throat, and relieved himself by delivering the following, in the most impressive manner: “Charley, ye must abide by the law, whatever it is.”—*Central Law Journal*.

AUCTION BY THE CANDLE.—One of those curious old-time sales by auction by the candle has just taken place at Aldermaston, the historic Berkshire village, which was recently purchased by Mr. Keyser, of Merry Hill House. The ‘Church Acre,’ which is let every three years in accordance with ancient custom, is a piece of meadow land about two and a half acres in extent, bequeathed some centuries ago to the vicar and churchwardens of the parish for church expenses. The method of letting is similar to that pursued in various parts of the country, and was quite the common way a century ago. A candle was lighted and one inch below the flame duly measured off, at which point a pin was inserted. The biddings for the rental of the land began and continued till the inch of candle was consumed, when the pin dropped out. The last bidder before the fall of the pin was declared by the vicar, who presided, to be the purchaser.—*Law Journal*.