

foot ball team, stroke of the Oxford eight, when, in 1851, it easily vanquished Cambridge, and for twenty-four years afterwards as the umpire in the annual Oxford and Cambridge boat race. He was a man of great versatility of intellect, and his large natural gifts were so combined with industry, that he soon took a leading position at the Bar. He was, as has been said, "an impersonation of abundant courtesy with everyone with whom he came in contact." His death will be a great loss to the Bench.

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Mr. Wright is much commended by the profession in England for his action in postponing the trial of a prisoner committed by Mr. Justice Ridley on a charge of perjury in his evidence given under the Criminal Evidence Act, 1898, until the question of the prosecution of prisoners under such circumstances had been considered by the Judges, thus bringing to the consciences of magistrates and judges the importance of exercising great caution in ordering the prosecution of prisoner witnesses. The same learned judge, speaking at the Worcester Assizes, after referring to the evils of perjury said, "On the other hand, Parliament could not have intended that a man charged with some trifling offence should incur a greater penalty because on oath he had denied his guilt. Prisoners, unless utterly blameless, would not give evidence at all, and their omission would be regarded as evidence of guilt. A prisoner was often afraid to give evidence of material facts because he had to admit immaterial facts."

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#### *BICYCLE LAW.*

1. *Introductory*—Among the minor heads of law which the progress of invention in recent years has created, none is of more practical importance than that which deals with the rights and liabilities arising out of the use of the cycle in its various forms. A review of the authorities on this subject, therefore, can scarcely fail to be of deep interest to our readers. All the available sources of information, English, Colonial and American have been consulted, and it is hoped that no ruling made prior to the compilation of this article has escaped notice. As several of the cases, owing to the novelty of the questions discussed, are in a certain sense