

## ANALYSIS OF THE MAYBRICK CASE

the case between Mr. Justice Stephen and another member of the Bench, Mr. Justice Grantham, at a social meeting of an entirely private character.

A mental malady was developed in the judge so soon after the trial that it was properly said to have been caused *by his brooding over it*, and this condition increased so rapidly and markedly that his *resignation was demanded*. It is but reasonable to suppose that the judge's mental incapacity reached farther back than its discovery, and that the illogical and unjust summing-up was connected with the mental overthrow of the otherwise able judge. And it may be here added that Justice Stephen himself, in the second edition of the "General Views of the Criminal Law of England, 1890," says, at page 173, that out of 979 cases tried before him, from January, 1885, to September, 1889, "the case of Mrs. Maybrick was the only case in which there could be any doubt about the facts."