

the closely-guarded circle of the local Bar. An appeal has been made to the Attorney-General to devise some remedy, and it has been suggested that there should be reciprocity over all parts of the British Empire. Mr. Isaacs acknowledges the magic in the word 'federation,' but he is not prepared to allow that practitioners from abroad should be admitted here under less qualifications than those we impose upon our own students. Equality or qualification he considers essential to reciprocity.—*Melbourne Leader*.

A PROBLEM.—It is well known (says the *Realm*) that Sir Horace Davey was as successful at the Bar as he was unpopular on the political platform. Some years ago he addressed a political meeting in Fifeshire, and, as his manner was, spoke over the heads of his audience. Among those who listened with pained wonderment at his 'puir appearance' (as they termed it) were two ploughmen; and one turning to his neighbour, with a pitying shake of the head, said, 'Hoo in a' the warld does the crater mak' a livin'?'

THE COMMON JURYMEN.—Mrs. Lynn Lynton writes as follows in the *St. James's Gazette* of the characteristics of this class: "The common jurymen is by no means a precious creature. He knows nothing of the spiritual pride to be had from remembrance of his former incarnations; Bunthorne and Mrs. Ponsonby de Tomkyns have no charm for him as friends; the New Literature, when not a sealed book, reads to him like rubbish compacted with filth; the New Art is incomprehensible as art, and the mere apotheosis of ugliness; while the New Woman, who villifies men and disdains babies, would be denied his hospitality and forbidden his wife's society. A commonplace, straightforward, hard-headed kind of person, he needs proof before he believes what he hears; is incredulous on all that transcends experience; inclines to a scientific explanation rather than to a mystical rendering of the unusual; and lays aside, as something to be dealt with cautiously, all stories affecting the honour of individuals or the ordinary laws of nature as we know them from day to day. In all probability he is a good father, a faithful husband, an upright citizen, and exact in his religious duties; but he belongs to no extreme section, high or low, and he thinks deeds the test of faith. To the æsthotes a Philistine, to the mystics an earthworm, to the nation at large he is the