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tion with the words: "Without one harsh English expression, I may say, I know of nothing so adequately descriptive of the case as an old monkish couplet of the middle ages,

'Mel in ore, verba lactis,
Fel in corde, fraus in factis.'

Let the petition be dismissed with costs against the petitioners."

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Chitty's Equity Digest, 4th ed., by William Grant Jones and Henry Edward Hirst, Vol. 1 containing the titles "Abandonment" to "Bankruptcy." London, 1883.

The Laws of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks, as contained in the Act 47 Vict. c. 57, to amend and consolidate the Law relating to Patents for Inventions, etc., by James J. Aston. London, 1883.

A Digest of Patent Law and Cases, incorporating the provisions of the Patents Act, 1883, by H. A. A. Grindlay, London, 1884.

Amos and Ferrard on the Law of Fixtures, 3rd edition. London, 1883.

The Law of Mines, Quarries and Minerals, by R. F. McSwiney. London, 1884.

The Law of Husband and Wife, within the jurisdiction of the Queen's Bench and Chancery Division, by Montague Lush. London, 1884.

A complete treatise upon the New Law of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks, being the Patents, Designs and Trade Marks' Act, 1883, by E. M. Daniels. London, 1884.

The Institutes of the Law of Nations: a Treatise of the Jural Relations of Separate Political Communities, by James Lorimer. London, 1884.

Rawlinson's Municipal Corporations, 8th edition. London, 1883.

The Municipal Councillors' Handbook, being a summary of the Municipal Law of Ontario, for general public use, by J. J. Kehoe, of Osgoode Hall, Barrister-at-Law, 1884.

Joint Stock Companies' Manual, for the use of Shareholders, Directors, and Officers of Companies, and the general public, by J. D. Warde, 1884.

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THE *Law Journal* says the £10,000 awarded to the plaintiff in *Finney v. Cairns* (otherwise Gar-moyle) is probably the largest amount of damages ever recorded in this country in an action for breach of promise of marriage. The nearest approach to it is £3,500, given in 1835 to a solicitor's daughter for the loss of the alliance of a solicitor who had inherited a considerable fortune from his father (*Wood v. Hurd*, 2 Bing. N. C. 166). In 1866 the sum of £2,500 was awarded to a milliner's daughter as compensation for losing a husband in the shape of a young gentleman with £700 a year. *Berry v. Da Costa*, 35 *Law Journal Report* C. P. 191; but there were circumstances in the case tending to make the damages exemplary. In former times apparently it was more common for disappointed husbands to bring actions than now, and in the reign of William and Mary £400 was awarded for the loss of a lady worth £6,000 (*Harrison v. Cage*, Carth. 467)—the largest sum we believe awarded by unsympathetic jurymen to a male plaintiff. No doubt as large, and perhaps larger sums than the present have been paid out of court; but we now have an assessment, agreed upon by all concerned and sanctioned by a jury, of a countess's coronet at £10,000.

NEW APPLICATION OF EQUITY.—Last December an officer of the School Board at Crewe made a proposal to the British Empire Mutual Life Assurance Company through their agent. The proposal was accepted, but the premium not paid. On the 8th inst., the proposed life was drowned through the breaking of the ice on which he was skating. It came to the knowledge of the directors that the deceased had made some arrangement with the company's agent for the payment of the first premium out of certain moneys due from the agent to him, and the company decided to consider the assurance as effected, and drew a cheque for the amount for which the deceased intended to assure.

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