

A disciple of Coke, in Charleton, S. Car., when asked by a "brudder" to explain the Latin terms *de facto* and *de jure* replied: "Dey means dat you must prove de facts to de satisfaction ob de jury."

The second day drew to its close with the twelfth juryman unconvinced.

"Well, gentlemen," said the Court officer, entering quietly, "shall I, as usual, order twelve dinners?"

"Make it," said the foreman, "eleven dinners and a bale of hay."—New York Press.

UNITED STATES DECISIONS.

NEGLIGENCE.—That it is not negligence, as matter of law, for one approaching a bridge crossing a railroad track to fail to stop, look, and listen, is held, in *Heinmüller v. Winston* (Iowa), 6 L.R.A. (N.S.) 150.

Personal discomfort to neighbouring property owners because of the location and operation, without negligence, of railroad tracks, depots, and side tracks under legislative authority is held, in *St. Louis, S. F. & T. R. Co. v. Shaw* (Tex.), 6 L.R.A. (N.S.) 245, to give them no right of action against the railroad company.

The right of persons in charge of a railway train to presume that a child on the track will appreciate the danger and get out of the way of the train is denied in *Southern R. Co. v. Chatham* (Ga.), 6 L.R.A. (N.S.) 283.

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Two subjects of large current interest are discussed in the shorter papers in *The Living Age*, for June 8: *The Rights of Subject Races*, in an article from the *London Nation*; and *President Roosevelt and the American People*, from *The Spectator*. *The Control of the Public Purse*, reprinted in *The Living Age* for June 22, from the *Monthly Review*, is one of Michael MacDonagh's pleasantly informing articles touching English governmental relations and methods. *Harmless Beverages in Relation to Health*, in *The Living Age* for June 22, gives some highly important suggestions on certain much-discussed points with the authority of an expert and the charm of a clever essayist.