

Flotsam and Jetsam.

A judge, in pronouncing the death sentence, tenderly observed: "If guilty, you deserve the fate that awaits you; if innocent, it will be a gratification for you to feel that you were hanged without such a crime on your conscience; in either case you will be delivered from a world of care."—*Ex.*

AN Advocate, seeing that there was no longer any use in denying certain charges against his client, suddenly changed his plan of battle in order to arrive at success in another way.

"Well, be it so," he said, "my client is a scoundrel, and the worst liar in the world."

Here he was interrupted by the judge, who remarked, "Brother B—, you are forgetting yourself."—*Ex.*

IN Malta the English let the municipality administer their own laws, and frequently that means that the affair is referred to the clergy. There is a fine church in process of building just without the wall of Valetta, but it progresses very slowly. It is all the work of a single man's hands. He was a stonemason, and he assassinated a brother workman in cold blood. The clergy condemned him to build this church alone and with his own money, or suffer the penalty of the criminal courts. One may see the murderer working out his expiation early and late.—*Green Bag.*

RESTRAINT ON MARRIAGE.—The Hamburg law courts have a nice question to decide. An old gentleman left 20,000 crowns each to his manservant and cook on condition that, if either married, the whole sum should go to the one who remained single. The servants married each other and secured the whole 40,000 crowns. A relative, who disapproves of this cuteness, now seeks to overthrow the will and obtain the return of the money on the ground that by the servants marrying they have defeated the intention of the will. One would imagine that the servants ought to be allowed to keep the money for their ingenuity.—*Law Journal.*

QUEER BEQUESTS.—An eccentric old female of eighty-three years, who was very wealthy,

has died in Lyons, leaving behind her a peculiar "last will and testament," which appears to be intended as a posthumous joke at the expense of the members of the medical profession. "In grateful recognition of the intelligent and devoted care of Dr. X.," so runs a clause in the document, "who has enabled me to attain a ripe old age, I bequeath to him everything contained in my *bonheur du jour*." After the death of the estimable testatrix the executors unlocked the article of furniture in question, and found in it, still unopened, unsealed, and uncorked, all the pills and potions prescribed for the deceased by Dr. X. during the past ten years!—*Law Gazette.*

IN a right of way case which recently came before Mr. Justice Kekewich, a local surveyor entertained the court with a brilliant resistance to the sallies of a well-known Chancery barrister, who sometimes attempts to confuse witnesses by filling them with awe at their solemn surroundings. "Remember that you are upon your oath," he was told. "I am not likely to forget it, I think, while I see you in front of me," was the surveyor's very unexpected reply. The learned gentleman tried another question: "Would you continue to state what you have told us if another witness possessing the same opportunities as yourself said the opposite?" Without the least hesitation came the answer: "If another witness possessing the same opportunities as myself were to make a statement contrary to my own, I should know that he or she was wrong." And the local surveyor proudly surveyed the court as his cross-examiner, somewhat crestfallen, set his wig right, and resumed his seat.—*Ex.*

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EXAMINATION BEFORE TRINITY
TERM: 1891.

CERTIFICATE OF FITNESS.

Taylor on Equity.

Examiner: A. W. AYTOUN-FINLAY.

1. A. has placed a considerable sum of money in the hands of B., with the object of furthering an illegal purpose.

The purpose is accomplished, but B. refuses to account to A. for the proceeds.