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## *CURRENT TOPICS AND CASES.*

The *London Law Journal* directs attention to a defect in the English legislation with reference to extradition. Adolf London, a furrier of Leipsic, was arrested in Canada for offences against the bankruptcy law of Germany, and was extradited under the Canadian Extradition Act. But he was sent from Canada in a vessel bound for England, and on his arrival there it was necessary to go through the extradition papers a second time, as the Canadian warrant did not run on English soil. An amendment is needed to the Imperial Act, which will make a surrender in a British possession hold good while the fugitive is being taken over other British territory, or is being carried in British ships.

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Some amusement seems to have been caused by an offence inadvertently committed by the Lord Chief Justice of England, Lord Russell of Killowen. Lords as well as commoners have to be sworn in at the opening of a new Parliament. Under a statute passed in 1866, members of the House of Lords sitting or joining in debate before taking the oath are subject to a penalty of £500 for each offence. Lord Russell not only sat in the House of Lords