

LAURIN v. ST. JEAN—CLUTE, J.—JAN. 24.

Contract—Promise to Pay Large Sum—Evidence—Forgery—Scheme to Defraud.]—Action to recover \$15,000 under an agreement in writing, dated the 18th March, 1915, purporting to be signed by the plaintiff and defendant, whereby the defendant promised to pay that sum to the plaintiff at the plaintiff's residence, in the city of Toronto. The defendant expressly denied that he executed the agreement or any agreement to pay the plaintiff any sum whatever. The plaintiff's case was based in part upon a receipt for \$300, also alleged to have been signed by the defendant. The action was tried without a jury at Toronto. The learned Judge, after an exhaustive review of the facts and evidence, concludes that neither of the documents put forward by the plaintiff is genuine—that both were forged as part of a scheme to defraud the defendant. Action dismissed with costs. T. N. Phelan, for the plaintiff. M. K. Cowan, K.C., for the defendant.

 ALLIN v. ALLIN—FALCONBRIDGE, C.J.K.B., IN CHAMBERS—
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Husband and Wife—Action for Alimony—Discovery—Examination of Husband—Relevancy of Questions as to Estate and Effects.]—Appeal by the defendant from an order of the Master in Chambers requiring the defendant, in an action for alimony, to attend for re-examination for discovery and to answer questions as to his estate and effects. The learned Judge said that a trial Judge ought, in his opinion, to be able to fix the amount of alimony, should the plaintiff be held entitled, without putting the parties to the expense of a reference. He himself had always pursued that practice. In this view, the discovery of the defendant's estate and effects was material. The cases cited by the defendant had no application—the plaintiff had her status as the defendant's wife. Appeal dismissed; costs in the cause to the plaintiff in any event. Harcourt Ferguson, for the defendant. J. M. Godfrey, for the plaintiff.

 CORRECTION.

IN REX v. MONSELL, ante 377, on p. 378, line 9, insert "not" before "acted upon."