

*London and North-Western Railway Company*, L.R. 1 C. P. Div. 286, 313, held that a person who was delayed by unpunctuality was entitled to take a special train and charge the cost as damages. But the companies can refuse to guarantee punctuality and their present conditions are to this effect, with the result that the passenger is really without remedy (*Lockyer v. The International Sleeping Car Company*, 61 Law J. Rep. Q.B. 501; *McCartan v. The North-Eastern Railway Company*, 54 Law J. Rep. Q.B. 441). The result of these decisions appears to be that the tables are a mere representation as to the time *before* which a train will not start from or arrive at a particular station, but that there is no promise or contract to start or arrive *at* the times specified.—*Law Journal (London)*.

AN ENGLISH Q.C. CALLED TO THE IRISH BAR.—The *London Times* says:—"Amongst the calls to the Bar at Dublin was one of exceptional interest—namely, that of Sir Alexander Edward Miller, Q.C., of Lincoln's Inn, who appeared in a stuff gown, wearing on his left breast the medal of a Companion of the Order of the Star of India. His presence recalled the circumstances of the eventful contest for the representation of the University of Dublin, in which he came forward as the accredited candidate of the Conservative Government in 1875, and was opposed by Mr. Edward Gibson, Q.C., the Lord Chancellor, before whom he appeared seeking admission to the Irish Bar. It is the first instance of the kind which has ever occurred. Sir A. Miller has close ties of family and property with the North of Ireland and was for years an active member of the general synod of the Church of Ireland. He is a graduate of the University of Dublin, an LL.D., and member of the Senate. He was proposed by the Lord Chief Baron."

COUNTY COURT BUSINESS IN ENGLAND.—The character of the present work of the County Courts does not warrant any very great change in their constitution. Of 1,081,867 plaints entered in 1895, no fewer than 1,068,908 were for amounts not exceeding 20*l*. These figures show that the County Court, though possessing higher powers, continues to have for its chief business the collection of small debts.

JUDICIAL ANGLERS.—Three of the present Lords Justices—Lords Justices Smith, Rigby, and Collins—are all distinguished Cambridge men. All three are also anglers, and find the chief pleasure of their vacations in the catching of salmon.