

RECENT ENGLISH DECISIONS—LAW SOCIETY.

co-trustee as defendants in an action, was entitled to recover profit costs. Some observations of Cranworth, L.C., and Lord Brougham in *Broughton v. Broughton*, 5 D. M. & G. 150, and *Manson v. Baillie*, 2 Macq. 80, were supposed to have thrown doubt upon Lord Cottenham's decision, but after examining the cases, Chitty, J., came to the conclusion that *Cradock v. Piper* stands unimpeached, and he, therefore, followed it. It further appears from this case that where a solicitor is witness to a will which appoints him trustee, and authorizes him to charge for professional services rendered the estate, that although such provision in his favour is nullified by the fact of his being an attesting witness; yet, notwithstanding, he is still entitled to charge profit costs in any case in which the law, irrespective of any such express provision in the will, would entitle him to charge them.

WILL—CONSTRUCTION—MARRIED WOMAN—RESTRAINT ON ANTICIPATION.

The only remaining case to be noticed: *In re Grey Acon v. Greenwood*, 34 Chy. D. 85. In this case a testator appointed that a sum of £1,500 should be raised and paid to his daughter absolutely for her separate use, with restraint on anticipation, and after appointing another specific sum, appointed one-fourth of the residue upon trust for the same daughter, absolutely for her separate use, with restraint on anticipation. The daughter was married, and she claimed that the share of the residue should be paid over to her, but North, J., was of the opinion that the restraint against anticipation could not be disregarded, and that the trustees were bound to retain the fund in their hands during her coverture, and pay her only the income as it accrued for her separate use. No question was raised as to the £1,500.

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TRINITY TERM, 1886.

The following is a *résumé* of the proceedings of Convocation on the 17th September, and of Michaelmas Term, 1886:

Convocation met.

Present—The Treasurer and Messrs. Britton, Falconbridge, Hoskin, Irving, Lash, Maclellan, Mackelcan, Morris, Moss, Murray and Smith.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Maclellan, from the Reporting Committee, presented their report to the effect:

1. Respecting the probable expense of a quarterly current index of the reports, similar to that lately commenced by the Council of Law Reporting in England.

2. That Mr. Grant has made an arrangement with Mr. B. Edward Brown to assist him in his work on the terms stated, and the Committee recommend that this arrangement be approved of by Convocation.

The report was ordered for consideration.

The first paragraph was read.

Ordered, That it be referred back to the Committee for reconsideration as to the estimate of cost, and to report their opinion as to a scheme for the proposed digest.

The second paragraph was read and adopted.

Mr. Irving, from the Library Committee, reported, That Mr. G. Mercer Adam had made application to them to recommend a grant being made to him upon the completion by him of the New Catalogue.

That Mr. Adam has been paid his contract price of \$250, and the Committee have already certified to Convocation their satisfaction with the work.

That Mr. Adam grounds his application upon the labour expended by him being much in excess of his expectations.

That, upon enquiry, the Committee have ascertained that Mr. Adam, at the suggestion of the Librarian, added very much to the value of the catalogue, by adopting certain references which had not been given in the former catalogue, and which