

AFTER a trial extending over nearly two days, THOMPSON WHALLEY, M.D., who had practised as a surgeon at Mirfield, was yesterday convicted at Leeds of an attempt to defraud the British Prudential Assurance Company. The defendant was the local medical referee of the society, and the fraud he had committed was, in representing that a man named LAW WALKER wished to be insured, when he had no authority whatever to do so; and further, in order to carry out his fraudulent design, that he certified Walker was in good health and a first-class life, when in truth he had about the same time certified that he was suffering from an incurable disorder. The Jury, in returning a verdict of guilty, recommended the defendant to mercy on account of the carelessness and irregularities of the Company's proceedings, and Mr. Justice SHEE promised to take this recommendation into consideration before passing sentence, which he will do this morning.