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CROWLEY APPEAL

Lords Justices Scrutton, Greer and Maugham, in the Court of Appeal yesterday, fixed £100 as security for costs of the appeal which Mr. Aleister Crowley, the author, is bringing against the dismissal of his recent libel action.

Mr. Crowley sued Constable and Co., Ltd. (publishers), Charles Whittingham and Griggs, Ltd. (printers), and Miss Nina Hamnett for alleged libel in Miss Hamnett's book, "Laughing Torso," in which there was a statement that Mr. Crowley had had a temple at Cefalu, Sicily, where he was alleged to have practised black magic.

After four days' hearing the jury stopped the case and returned a verdict for the defendants. It was stated that the costs of the publishers and printers had been taxed at £740.