

### New Rules of Court.

The following new rules were passed by the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario on 29th December, 1893:

For rules 210, 211, 212 (hereby repealed) substitute the following:

210—A judge shall be at Osgoode Hall every week, except vacation, for the purpose of disposing of all business, except trials, which may be transacted by a single judge. All applications during the week are to be made to the judge assigned to take the weekly work.

211—The business of the weekly sittings shall be as follows:

Monday and Friday—Chambers business. Motions first, appeals afterwards.

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday—Court business.

212—All business, except ex-parte motions, is to be entered on a list for each court day, and to be disposed of in the order of entry, unless otherwise directed by the judge.

212 (a)—Lists shall be prepared by the proper officers, of all court business for each day, in which the cases and matters shall be entered in the order in which the praecipies are filed with the officer.

212 (b)—The above rules shall come into operation on and after the 8th January, 1894, and prior publication in the *Ontario Gazette* is hereby dispensed with.

A list of non-jury cases to be tried at Toronto shall be prepared by the proper officer, upon which he shall enter all actions wherein, after close of the pleadings, notice of trial has been given by either party.

Either party shall be at liberty to give ten days' notice of trial in respect of such non-jury cases, and to enter the same on the trial list. Such actions may be tried in the order in which they are entered at the current or next available sittings of the court.

In addition to the above rules of court the following rules respecting the sittings for trial of actions were passed by the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario on the 4th January, 1894.

In cases of non-jury actions to be tried at Toronto, notice of trial may be as follows:—

“In the High Court of Justice,——Division: A. B. v. C. D.:

“Take notice of trial of this action (or the issues in this action ordered to be tried) at the City of Toronto in ten (or five) days after the service hereof, or as soon there-

after as the court may be sitting for the trial of actions without a jury.

“Dated, etc.

“X. Y., Plaintiff's Solicitor.

(or as the case may be.)”

After the expiration of the time mentioned in the notice of trial of an action in Toronto, without a jury, either party may enter the action for trial. If both parties enter the action for trial, it shall be tried in the order of the plaintiff's entry.

The party entering the action for trial in Toronto without a jury shall at the time of the entry thereof deliver to the proper officer one copy of the whole of the pleadings in the action, for the use of the Judge at the trial, such copy to be certified as a true copy by the officer having charge of the pleadings filed, and to be called the record.

Actions to be tried in Toronto without a jury may be entered for trial before or during any sittings for the trial of actions without a jury; but no such action shall be placed on the peremptory list for trial before the day following that on which the same is entered.

The following regulations were made on the 17th of February, 1894:

1. All non-jury cases in any of the Divisions of the High Court which are to be tried in Toronto are to be entered for trial with the Clerk of Records and Writs, with whom the record shall be left, as prescribed by rule 664.

2. Rule 545 is hereby amended by striking out the words “Clerk of Records and Writs.” and inserting in lieu thereof, the words “Clerk in Chambers.”

3. All papers relating to proceedings in the weekly court, in all Divisions, are to be filed with the Clerk of Records and Writs not later than the day preceding that upon which they are intended to be tried.

Also the following regulations for the distribution of work in all divisions.

1. The Registrar of the Chancery Division (Mr. Holmsted) is to be relieved of the duty of sitting in the weekly court, but in addition to the other duties now performed by him, he is to settle the minutes of all judgments in the Queen's Bench and Common Pleas Divisions pronounced at the trial of non-jury actions in Toronto whereby any equitable relief is awarded, and all such judgments shall be authenticated by his signature.

2. The assistant-registrar (Mr. Maclean) is to be relieved of the duty of attending the sittings for trial of actions, and in lieu thereof, he is to act as clerk of the weekly