

has abandoned the old fashioned declamation by means of which nisi prius lawyers have tried to work on the feelings of a jury, and has instead, adopted a business-like method of putting those prominent facts, which in his opinion should determine the fate of the case, in a strong light before the jury. In speaking, he is slow and deliberate, and in cross-examination, owing to his rapidity of thought and to the careful preparation which he devotes to his cases, he is at his best and has few equals. His exposition of the law relating to the case which he has in hand is always lucid and painstaking. His position in the profession which he has chosen is assured, and he is now one of the leading senior counsel at the Ontario Bar.

Mr. Johnston, like most eminent men in his profession, has a hobby. He has an artist's eye for a fine picture. His collection of water colors is probably the best in Toronto, and one of the largest in the Dominion. He has also a great fancy for delft and has one of the largest collections of old Dutch delft in America. He takes an active interest in art matters, and has frequently exerted himself in encouraging talented Canadian artists, and wherever one such presents himself he finds a ready friend in Mr. Johnston.

The Soldiers of the Queen have virtually ended the war and the Empire rejoices. British justice will now take the place of Boer tyranny.

A meeting of members of the County Library Associations throughout Ontario has been called for Saturday, June 30th next, at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, at which meeting matters of general interest affecting the profession will be discussed, such as the advisability of making the Law School self sustaining or abolishing it, the election of a larger proportion of younger men as benchers and the reduction of the annual solicitor's fees by any amount which may be paid by members of the County Law Associations to their local branch

The case of *The Queen v. Dullman, Nolin, and Walsh*, recently tried at the Welland Assizes is well worthy of note as testifying to the swiftness and certainty with which criminal justice is administered in Canada. The very serious crime by which the prisoners sought to destroy one of the great public works of the Dominion took place at 7 p.m. on April 21st. The same evening at 9 p.m.