

satisfaction, or if not for their satisfaction, for their instruction in future, that the evidence which was cited and commented upon at the hearing, and which is all here, does not, in my opinion, justify, even if it could avail at all, the position they have taken. Even if an agent of a company makes promises, or holds out inducements to subscribe, if those promises and inducements are not authorized, they will bind only the agent. The evidence, therefore, is rejected, and the contestation maintained with costs. In the *National Ins. Co. v. Chevrier*,* 30th November, 1878, I decided the same point in the same way.

Longpré & David for plaintiff contesting.
Loranger, Loranger & Beaulin for tiers saisis.

TABLE OF PRECEDENCE.

The following notice, signed "J. C. Aikins, Secretary of State," appears in the *Canada Gazette* :—

By a Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies bearing date 3rd November 1879, (see 2 *Legal News*, 385) certain alterations were made in the Table of Precedence, and the following is now the amended

Table of Precedence.

1. The Governor-General or officer administering the Government.
2. Senior officer commanding Her Majesty's troops within the Dominion, if of the rank of a general, and officer commanding Her Majesty's naval forces on the British North American station, if of the rank of an admiral. Their own relative rank to be determined by the Queen's Regulations on this subject.
3. The lieutenant-governor of Ontario.
4. The lieutenant-governor of Quebec.
5. The lieutenant-governor of Nova Scotia.
6. The lieutenant-governor of New Brunswick.
7. Archbishops and bishops, according to seniority.
8. Members of the Cabinet, according to seniority.
9. The Speaker of the Senate.
10. The chief justice of the Supreme Court of Canada.
11. The chief judges of the courts of law and equity, according to seniority.
12. Members of the Privy Council, not of the Cabinet.
13. General officers of Her Majesty's army serving in the Dominion, and officers of the rank of admiral in the Royal Navy, serving on the British North American station, not being

on the chief command; the relative rank of such officer to be determined by the Queen's Regulations.

14. The officer commanding Her Majesty's troops in the Dominion, if of the rank of colonel or inferior rank, and the officer commanding Her Majesty's naval forces on the British North American station, if of equivalent rank: their relative rank to be ascertained by the Queen's Regulations.

15. Members of the Senate.

16. Speaker of the House of Commons.

17. Puisne judges of the Supreme Court of Canada, according to seniority.

18. Puisne judges of courts of law and equity, according to seniority.

19. Members of the House of Commons.

20. Members of the Executive Council (Provincial) within their Province.

21. Speaker of the Legislative Council within his Province.

22. Members of the Legislative Council within their Province.

23. Speaker of the Legislative Assembly within his Province.

24. Members of the Legislative Assembly within their Province.

25. Retired judges of whatever courts to take precedence next after the present judges of their respective courts.

OBITUARY.

Several members of the Montreal bar have died within the past week. Mr. Pierre Moreau, Q. C., admitted in 1829, who died on the 29th February, was the senior, with one exception, of those now on the roll of advocates for the Montreal district. Mr. Moreau was long extensively engaged in practice, and enjoyed an excellent reputation for uprightness of character.

Mr. Gonzalve Doutre, admitted in 1863, who died on the 28th ult., was a laborious student and a sincere lover of his profession. He was the author of the first commentary on the Code of Civil Procedure that was published after the work of codification was completed. He was also secretary of the bar for some time, and took an active part in framing the amended Act and by-laws respecting the bar, which were enacted about a dozen years ago. Mr. Doutre's health was never very good, and he deserves to be held in honor for all that he achieved under difficulties of a formidable character. The list of the dead is increased by the name of Mr. Bibaud, advocate, who, it is said, however, was never engaged in practice.

*1 *Legal News*, 591.