
Flotsam and Jetsam.

A learned counsel in the course of a recent argument before the Court of Appeal for Ontario had occasion to dwell upon the doctrine of *ejusdem generis*, and must have been somewhat surprised on the following day to learn from the columns of a daily newspaper, that he had contended that "the just and generous" canon of construction was not applicable to the case in hand.

A letter to *The New York Evening Post* from Mr. W. R. Riddell of the Toronto Bar, calls attention to the admirable address of Mr. Choate at the meeting of the Bar Association at Saratoga, at which that most able lawyer referred to Sir Alexander Cockburn as Lord Cockburn. The letter says that, "though Lord Chief Justice, he was never a peer. Mr. Choate may plead the inveterate practice of calling Sir Edward Coke, Lord Coke, and Sir Matthew Hale, Lord Hale, but this is never followed in the case of modern judges any more than is the ancient custom of calling judges 'reverend.'"

LAW SOCIETY OF UPPER CANADA.

EASTER TERM, 1898.

TUESDAY, the 17th day of May, 1898.

Present : The Treasurer and Messrs. Barwick, Bayly, Bruce, Edwards, Guthrie, Hogg, Idington, Martin, Riddell, Ritchie, Strathy, Teetzel, Watson, Wilkes, Osler and Shepley.

Mr. Strathy drew attention to the bereavement sustained by the death of D'Alton McCarthy, Q.C., and M.P., and Messrs. Osler, Idington, Shepley and Riddell were appointed to draft a resolution to record the loss of Convocation and of the profession generally.

The Secretary reported as follows : The Secretary has the honour to report, That Messrs. D. B. Maclellan, Q.C., and Colin Macdougall, Q.C., have failed to attend the meetings of Convocation for three consecutive terms, to wit Trinity and Michaelmas, 1897, and Hilary, 1898. The report was referred to the Committee on Journals and Printing.

Ordered that Mr. Ralph Hubert Dignan, a solicitor of ten years' standing, be called to the Bar in pursuance of R.S.O., c. 173, s. 2, s.s. 2. The petition of Charles Cyrus Grant, that his name be entered as a student-at-law on the books of the Law Society, from which it had been erased by order of Convocation of 4th Dec., 1896, was read. His petition was accompanied by a recommendation of practitioners of the city of St. Thomas.

Ordered, that the Secretary inform Mr. Grant that his petition was not granted.

The complaint of Dr. W. F. Meikle against Mr. J. C. Ross was read. Ordered that the Secretary do inform the complainant that the ordinary proceedings of the Court will afford him redress if he be entitled thereto, the matter complained of not being such as the Benchers can investigate. The complaint of the Fleming H. Revell Company of Toronto against Mr. A. M. Clark of Palmerston was read. Ordered that the Secretary do inform the complainants that Mr. A. M. Clark is dead and that their remedy is by suit (if they have remedy), the matter complained of not being such as the Benchers can investigate. The complaint of Mr. John McDonald of Lindsay against Mr. Hugh O'Leary was read. It appeared that the same complaint had been laid before the Convocation by his solicitor, Mr. George Ritchie, of To-