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DIARY FOR NOVEMBER.

16. Sun 23rd Sunday after Trinity. Wilson, J., Q.B., and Gwynne, J., C.P., 1868.
17. Mon Michaelmas Sittings, Com. Law Div. H. C. J., begin.
18. Tues Hagarty, C.J., sworn in, Ct. of Q.B., Wilson, J., sworn in Ct. of C. P., 1878.
19. Wed Princess Royal born, 1840.
23. Sun 24th Sunday after Trinity.
25. Tues Lord Lorn, Governor-General of Canada, 1878.
27. Thur Cameron, J., sworn in Q.B., 1878.
30. Sun Advent Sunday. Moss, J., appointed C. J. of Appeal, 1877.

TORONTO, NOVEMBER 15, 1884.

MR. JOHN M. HAMILTON, Q.C., of Sault Ste. Marie, who has been gazetted Judge for the Provincial Judicial District of Thunder Bay, has gone to Port Arthur to assume the duties of his office. The appointment is an exceedingly good one. In addition to his high personal character and legal abilities he has had a long experience in "frontier law," which will be of great benefit in a place rapidly rising into importance, and where meet the civilization of the older provinces and the ruder energies of a younger country of unlimited capacity and of vigorous growth requiring much strong practical common sense in those who direct its development. Mr. Hamilton was called to the Bar in Mich. Term, 1853, and after practising for some years in Toronto was in May, 1861, appointed Crown Attorney and Clerk of the Peace for the District of Algoma.

THE *Weekly Notes* for October 18th, 1884, contains some supplemental rules of court, to be cited as rules of the Supreme Court, October, 1884. Amongst them is the following which seems specially notice-

able, and might, probably with some advantage, be adopted in this country:—

ORDER L. 1A.

11. Whenever an application shall be made before trial for an injunction or other order, and on the opening of such application, or at any time during the hearing thereof, it shall appear to the Judge that the matter in controversy in the cause or matter is one which can be most conveniently dealt with by an early trial, without first going into the whole merits on affidavit or other evidence for the purposes of the application, it shall be lawful for the Judge to make an order for such trial accordingly, and to direct such trial to be held at the next or any other assizes for any place, if from local or other circumstances it shall appear to him to be convenient so to do, and in the meantime to make such order as the justice of the case may require.

TIMES are dull apparently in Western Canada. A person who, we must assume, is a member of our honourable fraternity (he has evidently mistaken his vocation) thus advertises himself:

M. SULLIVAN,

POSTMASTER, SARNIA, ONT.,

Issuer of Marriage Licenses, no witnesses required,

BARRISTER, ETC.

Office at Post-office, Sarnia.

It is evident that this enterprising party, living as he does at a frontier town, and apparently able to dispense with witnesses in vending his licenses, desires to provide a Gretna Green for Ontario. Being a professional man he will be able to advise the amorous flitters on various legal points which may be of interest to them, and doubtless they would in return see a propriety in paying a fee which could not be collected by process of law by his fore-runner, the historical blacksmith.