

DIARY FOR DECEMBER.

1. SUN .. 1st Sunday in Advent.
2. Mon ... Paper Day, Q.B. New Trial Day, C.P.
3. Tues... Paper Day, C.P. New Trial Day, Q.B. Consolidated Statutes came into force 1859.
4. Wed... New Trial Day, C.P. Open Day, Q.B.
5. Thurs. Open Day. Re-hearing Term in Chancery commences.
6. Fri.... New Trial Day, Q.B. Open Day, C.P.
7. Sat.... Michaelmas Term ends. Open Day. Last day for Attorneys to take out Certificates.
8. SUN .. 2nd Sunday in Advent.
10. Tues.. General Sessions and County Courts sittings in each County.
14. Sat.... Collectors rolls to be returned unless time extended.
15. SUN .. 3rd Sunday in Advent.
21. Sat.... St. Thomas.
22. SUN .. 4th Sunday in Advent.
23. Mon .. Nomination of Mayors in Towns, Aldermen, Reeves, Councillors and Police Trustees.
25. Wed... Christmas Day. Christmas vacation in Chancery begins.
26. Tues.. St. Stephen. Upper Canada constituted a Province, 1791.
27. Fri.... St. John the Evangelist.
28. Sat.... Innocents.
24. SUN .. 1st Sunday after Christmas.

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TO OUR READERS.

The *Local Courts' and Municipal Gazette* became a distinct publication from the *Upper Canada Law Journal* in the year 1865. The reasons for that change were fully given in the first page of the January number of that year. It was there stated that, at first, a large measure of support came from County and Division Court officers, but that at that time (1865) this had somewhat altered, and professional men and County and Division Court officers stood nearly on a par as to numbers on the subscription list. This change has continued, so that now the support of the latter class has become so small as not to warrant the extra expense attendant upon a separate publication, whilst the number of our subscribers amongst the profession has increased in a most satisfactory and encouraging manner. The reason for all this is easily accounted for. In the first place, the business of the *Local Courts* has greatly fallen off, so that many who could well afford the luxury of a legal paper have been reluctantly compelled (we quote the words of many who have so expressed themselves) to withdraw their subscriptions; in the second place, officers now-a-days are pretty well versed in their duties, and do not require the same advice and information which it has been our province and our pleasure to give them. We think that for this result we may, without egotism, take some credit to ourselves. We think we have been enabled in many ways to induce a greater uniformity of practice, and to inculcate more sound views of the duties of local officers than obtained before we entered the field.

We do not, however, wish our readers to understand that we do not intend in future to do all in our power to supplement and continue what we have so far accomplished for the benefit of those who were at the first our principal supporters; but a due regard for our own interests compels us again to make a change, by discontinuing the publication of the *Local Courts' Gazette* after the end of