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DIARY FOR JANUARY.

16. Sun....2nd Sunday after Epiphany.
18. Tues..Heir and Dev. sitt. ends. Second Intermed'te Exam.
19. Wed. ..Second Intermediate Examination.
20. Thurs. First Intermediate Examination.
21. Fri. First Intermediate Examination.
23. Sun.3rd Sunday after Epiphany.
25. Tues. .Primary Examination.
26. Wed. .Primary Examination.
27. Thurs. Primary Examination.
30. Sun.4th Sunday after Epiphany.

TORONTO, JANUARY 15th, 1881.

DEATH OF CHIEF JUSTICE MOSS.

It is with feelings of the greatest sadness that we record the death of Thomas Moss, Chief Justice of Ontario. He never quite rallied from a severe illness which attacked him about eleven months ago. His physician recently recommended him to try the effect of a change of climate, and he left Toronto last November for the South of France, accompanied by his wife and family. The accounts were at first re-assuring, but the decree had gone forth that he should never again see his native land. He died at Nice on the 4th inst.

His brother, Mr. Charles Moss, left for France on hearing of the alarming nature of his last attack, which in a few days terminated fatally. Our sympathies are with his sorrowing wife and children, left to mourn over a devoted and loving husband and father in a foreign land.

Whilst it needs no words of ours to tell of the kindly worth and pre-eminent abilities of the deceased, who was known far and wide throughout this Dominion, it will be a labour of love to speak hereafter at greater length of one who was beloved by all who knew him, and who shed the lustre of his great intellect on every department of labour in which he was engaged in his short but busy life.

At the request of several of our readers we have decided to continue the numbering of the volumes as before. The present volume will therefore be known as Vol. 17. We are glad to know from a rapidly increasing circulation and from many congratulations that our efforts to increase the usefulness and interest of this Journal have been fully appreciated.

THE S S collar, lately worn by Lord Coleridge, as Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, is said to be the same worn by Lord Coke. It may not be amiss here to mention, for the benefit of the unlearned in such matters, that the S S. chain, or collar, worn as a distinctive badge of honour by the Chiefs of the English Courts, is said, according to some old traditions, to be named from Sanctus Simplicius, a Christian judge and martyr of the time of Diocletian. It is usually passed down from retiring, or deceased chief justices to their successors. Lord Coleridge, we presume, takes his Common Pleas S S. with him to the Queen's Bench.

WE are in receipt of the first number of the *Canadian Law Times*, and we welcome it into the ranks of legal journalism. It is a small, but neatly got up, monthly, in magazine form, the first number containing some forty-two pages, single column, equal in amount of matter to about twenty pages of this journal. The contents of the first number are, "The law of allegiance in Canada," by Mr. Thomas Hodgins, Q. C.; part of an article by Mr. A. H. Marsh, discussing whether a power to sell implies a power to mortgage; some short editorial notes, and a selection of head notes of some cases, old and new, on criminal law. We wish our contemporary a full measure of