

have descended from the bench they can depart from Toronto with a clear conscience. In order to facilitate their departure, they suddenly and unexpectedly appoint unusual hours for the sitting of the court in which they preside, occasioning thereby great annoyance and inconvenience to counsel and solicitors, and they occasionally adjourn their courts before the accustomed hour in order to catch a train to convey them to their distant abodes. Moreover, although a judge is supposed to take all the business of a week, it occasionally happens that a premature departure from Toronto before the week is over imposes on another judge work which they themselves ought to have discharged.

PRACTITIONER.

[We are not aware that the inconvenience is so great as our correspondent declares it to be, and the remarks are not, we think, applicable at least to all of the judges apparently referred to. We doubt not, however, that, the matter being called to their attention, any cause of complaint will be removed. We observe that R.S.C., c. 135, s. 4, s-s. 5, provides that the judges of the Supreme Court shall reside at Ottawa, or within five miles thereof. It may be deserving of consideration as to whether there should not be a similar provision with regard to the judges of the High Court here. It goes without saying that the personal convenience of the judges should yield to that of the public.—ED. L.J.]

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ASSIGNMENTS BY INSOLVENTS.

To the Editor of THE CANADA LAW JOURNAL :

SIR,—The leading article in your issue of 16th September as to assignments by insolvents has greatly interested me. If R.S.O., c. 124, and similar Acts in the other provinces, are finally held *ultra vires* (which I think is certain), a number of cases will arise which will be very embarrassing to give an opinion on. Your article deals simply with future assignments and the state of the law regarding them, independent of the Acts referred to. What about insolvent estates which have been partially dealt with? For instance, what would be the rights of the parties in the following case? A. makes an assignment to B.,