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DIARY FOR MAY.

1. Sun..... 3rd Sunday after Easter.
2. Mon..... Sittings of Supreme Court Canada begin. J. A. Boyd, 4th Chancellor, 1887.
3. Tues..... First intermediate examination.
3. Thur..... Second intermediate examination.
7. Sat..... Lord Chancellor Bronyham died, 1868, *act. 90.*
8. Sun..... 4th Sunday after Easter.
10. Tues..... Sittings of Court of Appeal and of Co. Ct. York for trials begin. Solicitors' examination.
11. Wed..... Barristers' examination. Batoche, 1885.
15. Sun..... 5th Sunday after Easter.

TORONTO, MAY 1, 1887.

THE pressure of the prolific Canuck, guided doubtless by the astute, far-seeing ecclesiastical power whose iron grip (like the "maiden" of the Inquisition) is closing on the Anglo-Saxon race, is apparently being felt by our contemporary, the *Legal News*. Its first number this month has one of its editorials in the French language, and all its editorials in the number for April 16th are in that language. So far as we have observed this is a new departure, and though it is a small matter whereon to found an argument, it is said that straws show which way the wind blows.

THE same journal says another movement is being made towards an increase of the judges' salaries, and that deputations of the Bar, both of Ontario and Quebec, are in communication with the Minister of Justice on the subject. We always understood that the great difficulty of obtaining this increase in Ontario was the fact, that if the increase were made here (the propriety of which was admitted) the Government would be compelled to make an increase, not only for the Court of Queen's Bench in Quebec, but also for all the so-called Superior Court judges in

that Province. It is said that, considering the character and importance of the work of the latter class, occupying, as they do, positions very similar to our County Court judges, their remuneration is ample. If their salaries are increased, much more ought those of the County Court judges here, many of whom have much heavier work to do. We doubt, however, if the heavily taxed people of Ontario would submit to the additional burden that would be thereby thrown upon them. They practically would have to foot the bill. If it could be arranged that each Province should pay its own judicial salaries it would probably result in those of this Province being increased and those in Quebec reduced.

THE honour of Knighthood has been conferred upon Hon. Matthew Crooks Cameron, Chief Justice of the Common Pleas. The profession are always well pleased to hear of any distinction being conferred upon that gifted and true hearted gentleman, whose name is a synonym for honour and integrity. Some surprise has been expressed that the Chiefs of the other Divisions of the High Court of Justice, and the Chief Justice of the Court of Appeal, have not been similarly honoured. The degree of Knight Bachelor was also, we understand, offered to them, but declined, for reasons personal to themselves. Whether there was in their minds any fear of the usual democratic chaff at the further multiplication of the word "Sir" in this country, we have no means of knowing. Sir M. C. Cameron at least has (as he always had) the courage of his convictions, and we