

of French was remarkable, and he was most distinguished for his impartial conduct on the Bench. In fact, he represented Justice itself, and the youngest member of the Bar could always expect to be protected quite as fully as the oldest.

Mr. J. C. HATTON, Q.C.—I will add nothing, except to endorse what has been so well said by those who have preceded me, and to express my own deep personal regret at the death of Mr. Justice Ramsay.

Mr. JAMES KIRBY, in moving the last resolution, said:—I fully concur in what has been observed by the speakers who have preceded me. There is one fact, however, which, in justice to the memory of the departed Judge, should be mentioned. The event, so sad, so unexpected to the Bar, was not unexpected by the Judge himself. He came to Montreal, on the 1st of November, a tired and sick man, and fully conscious that he might soon be called away. In consequence of the illness of a colleague, he was asked to assume double duty by taking the criminal term of his court out of his turn. Though he felt, and stated to me, that his strength was well nigh spent, he stuck to his post, and was unwilling, even by a day's absence, to interrupt the public business. This fact shows his devotion to duty and his sense of the importance of the judicial office. As has been very truly stated in the article which appeared in the *Gazette*, he dropped down dead in harness, willing to sacrifice himself, rather than that any one should suffer by his absence from his post.

The meeting then adjourned.

INSOLVENT NOTICES, ETC.

Quebec Official Gazette, Dec. 18.

Dividends.

Re Felix Fortin, St. Sauveur.—First and final dividend, payable Jan. 2, 1887. H. A. Bedard, Quebec, curator.

Re N. Mailhot & Cie., Three Rivers.—Dividend, Seath & Daveluy, Montreal, curator.

Re Moore & Co., Montreal.—First and final dividend, payable Jan. 4, 1887, J. C. Beauchamp, Montreal, curator.

Re Senécal & Deslierre.—Dividend, payable Jan. 9, 1887. Kent & Turcotte, Montreal, curator.

Separation as to property.

Sophie Gill vs. Wilfrid C. Boucher, notary, St. Thomas de Pierreville, Dec. 15.

Alvine Céline Marois vs. Joseph Z. Lebel dit Beaulieu, Quebec, Dec. 16.

Marie Louise Ada Roy vs. Louis G. Bourret, physician, St. François du Lac.

Quebec Official Gazette, Dec. 24.

Judicial Abandonments.

Naraisse Anelair, Sorel, Nov. 27.

Joseph Pagé, undertaker, Montreal, Dec. 17.

Curators appointed.

Re Victor L. Côté, Côté & Cie., St. Johns.—Kent & Turcotte, Montreal, curator, Dec. 22.

Re A. Gauthier.—A. A. Taillon, Sorel, curator, Dec. 7.

Re Joseph Jacques, Quebec.—F. Gourdeau, Quebec, curator, Dec. 21.

Re Catherine McEntyre, Montreal.—W. J. O'Malley, Montreal, curator, Dec. 3.

Re Théodule Neveux, Terrebonne.—Kent & Turcotte, Montreal, curator, Dec. 16.

Application for discharge.

Re Emma and Georgiana L'Italien (under Insolvent Act of 1875).—Quebec, Feb. 1.

Dividends.

Re Aubin Duperrouzel, restaurant keeper, Montreal.—Dividend, Seath & Daveluy, Montreal, curator.

Re J. A. Lavigne, trader, Trois Pistoles.—First and final dividend, payable Jan. 7. H. A. Bedard, Quebec, curator.

Minutes transferred.

Minutes, repertory and index of the late E. R. Demers, N. P., Bedford, transferred to Michael Boyce, N. P., Bedford, Dec. 16.

Separation as to property.

Sarah McGinnis v. Robert Mauger, trader, Ste. Adelaide de Pabos, Dec. 18.

GENERAL NOTES.

LAWYERS SHOULD KNOW EVERYTHING.—Some years ago a man in the southern part of the State of New York was tried for killing some wild pigs which belonged to a neighbour. The only witness of the prosecution, who swore to the killing, said he saw the defendant in the act. The young lawyer for the defendant, in cross-examining the witness, asked if the swine made much noise when they were stuck. The witness, to make a most profound impression, turned in his chair and said, "Judge, I never heard such all-fired squealin' in my life." Defendant's counsel at this point addressed the Court and said, "I ask your honour to take judicial notice of the fact that a wild hog never squeals." He did, and the prisoner was acquitted.—*Albany Law Journal*.

TOO BRIEF FOR GRAMMAR.—The shortest chattel mortgage we have seen was the subject of litigation in *Church v. M'Leod*, Vt. April 23, 1886, 2 New England Rep. 190. It was in these words: "The six calves for which this note is given is to be Church's until paid for." The document having been recorded in the town clerk's office, pursuant to the statute, the court held that it was constructive notice, and that a purchaser from the mortgagor was liable for a conversion in taking possession and selling one of the calves.—*Daily Law Register*.