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The roll of the Court of Review, at Montreal, is still very much crowded, notwithstanding the active effort made by the Bench to clear off all arrears, some 250 to 300 cases having been heard and disposed of within the last The tribunal of review was intended to provide an inexpensive and speedy mode of rehearing cases before three judges, and the object of the law is defeated in part when the roll becomes so encumbered that nearly a year necessarily intervenes between the inscription and the judgment. The question may arise, whether it has not been made too easy to go to review. To take an appeal to the Queen's Bench the party must give substantial security for costs, but to go to review he has merely to deposit a small sum of money, which was intended to be sufficient to cover the opposite party's costs if the review were unsuccessful. But, as a matter of fact, it does not at present cover these costs. This is not what was contemplated when the Court of Review was constituted. Either sufficient security should be given, or the deposit should be increased to an amount that would cover the costs of the successful party. The original judgment is confirmed in such a large proportion