

me, *en passant*, that our Master in the Law told us to be careful to put "Esquire" after the names of Division Court Clerks, but that a simple "Mr." would be sufficient for the Bailiffs.

In those days special attention was given, and properly so, to the administration of law in connection with Magistrates, Municipalities and the newly formed Division Courts. The Law Journal, with such a man as Judge Gowan in charge of these departments, was the most important factor in giving them efficiency and in producing uniformity of practice and procedure throughout all the counties of our present province of Ontario.

The next year (1856) Mr. W. D. Ardagh, Mr. Patton's partner, took charge of the Journal and was connected with it until some years later he went to Manitoba as County Judge at Winnipeg.

In 1857 the office of publication was moved to Toronto, when Robert A. Harrison, B.C.L., Deputy Attorney General, joined Wm. Ardagh, who had become a partner in the firm of Crawford, Hagerty & Ardagh. From this time, and on until Mr. Harrison became Chief Justice of the Queen's Bench, Judge Gowan was the life and soul of the Journal, and the largest contributor to its columns.

The year 1864 saw the end of the Old Series, published in quarto form. Vol. 1 of the New Series appeared in 1865 in its present octavo form, with the name of Henry O'Brien as one of its Editors along with Wm. D. Ardagh and Robt. A. Harrison. Mr. O'Brien was at that time the Reporter in Practice Court and a partner of Mr. Christopher Robinson, a partnership which lasted with an unbroken fellowship for over thirty years. He is responsible for anything that has appeared in the Journal since the New Series began. His more than half a century of hard work was mostly a labour of love, but withal a pleasant one, thanks to the kind sympathy of an indulgent profession and frequent aid from many who helped to lighten his self-imposed burdens.

It may not unjustly be said that in the two series of the Journal may be found a record of, or reference to, almost everything that is of interest in the legal history of the Province, e.g., changes suggested or effected in criminal and civil procedure, and sketches of the lives of eminent members of the Bench and Bar. As one illustration of many changes effected