

this state of things, and with the co-operation of his brother judges, his efforts have been crowned with remarkable success. Some three hundred Review cases have been heard and determined within a twelvemonth, thirty-nine being pronounced on a single day, and nearly sixty within one month. The rolls of the Superior Court have also been cleared of the accumulation of cases, and the result is that it is far from uncommon to have a judgment in an ordinary contested suit within six months from the date when the cause of action arose. To Sir Melbourne Tait must be ascribed very largely this happy change in the administration of justice in Montreal, and the knighthood conferred on him on Jubilee day is a fitting acknowledgment of the great services which he has rendered while holding the office of Acting Chief Justice.

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The other two judges knighted are Chief Justice Hagarty, who recently retired from the Chief Justiceship of Ontario, and Chief Justice Taylor, of Manitoba. Chief Justice Hagarty formerly declined a knighthood, but has now accepted it. It may be remarked that Canada has three out of the seven legal knighthoods bestowed.

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Other honors which have fallen to members of the bar are a G. C. M. G. to the Premier of Canada, Mr. Laurier, and to the Minister of Justice, Sir Oliver Mowat, and a K. C. M. G. to Mr. Kirkpatrick, the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, and to Mr. L. H. Davies, Minister of Marine and Fisheries.

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The bar of Montreal has lost a diligent and active member by the untimely death of Mr. O. M. Augé, Q. C., which occurred on the 22nd of June. Mr. Augé was born at Joliette about 52 years ago. He studied law in