

We record the following judicial appointments recently made. Mr. Justice McColl, puisne judge of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, has been promoted to the position of chief justice of that province, and Mr. Archer Martin, of the city of Victoria, takes the place thus vacated. We note that the Government has not gone outside the province in these appointments. We have already had occasion to refer to this matter, see ante p. 254. The following appointments have been made to the County Court bench; in New Brunswick, Mr. William Wilson takes the place of Judge Steadman, and in Ontario Mr. Patrick McCurry becomes Judge of the Parry Sound district, and Mr. Thomas W. Chapple now occupies the same position in the provisional judicial district of Rainy River. The county of Victoria and the county of Ontario have taken to themselves junior judges in the persons of Mr. John E. Harding, Q.C., of the city of Stratford, and Mr. D. J. McIntyre, Q.C., of the town of Lindsay, respectively. Mr. John F. Monck, of the city of Hamilton, becomes junior judge of the county of Wentworth. Mr. C. A. Dugas, Sessions judge of Montreal, has been made judge of the Yukon judicial district.

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On July 1st there went into force in the United States a uniform bankruptcy law, a copy of which has just been published by the Washington Law Book Co. Much confusion had resulted in the various states from the fact that each state controlled its own territory in respect of insolvency legislation until a federal law should be passed, such as the one above mentioned. The state laws differed greatly, and in some cases placed creditors resident in other states or jurisdictions at a serious disadvantage. The plan of the English Bankruptcy Act appears to have been largely followed in the compilation of the new statute. Exemptions from executions will, however, remain subject to the state laws, and are to be allowed to bankrupts as prescribed by the laws in force at the time of filing petition, in the state wherein they have had their domicile for the six months or the greater portion thereof