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It is right and proper, and comes as no surprise, that a Minister of Justice so excellent as was Mr. Fitzpatrick, should be asked to fill the important position of Chief Justice of the highest Court of the Dominion. He goes there as the right man in the right place, with none to cavil at the appointment. Not merely is he the one chosen at the instance of the political party to which he belonged, but he goes there with the best wishes and esteem of his former opponents in the political arena.

Under his guidance and supervision we may well believe that matters which will come before the Supreme Court for adjudication will be despatched with the promptitude and vigour and with the intelligence and judgment which was characteristic of his work as Minister of Justice.

The statute book tells its own tale both of his industry and of his appreciation of the requirements of an expanding community, growing rapidly into a great nation, in connection with the all important subject of the administration of justice.

The Halls of Parliament will miss the prominent figure of perhaps its keenest and best debater, and one of its most useful members.

We have already given to our readers a portrait of the late Minister of Justice with a brief sketch of his career up to that period (35 C.L.J. 657). We congratulate the country as well as the new Chief Justice upon the appointment.

Sir Henry Elzear Taschereau, who has recently resigned his position as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, has been on the Bench for some 35 years. During the last four years of this period he has presided in our highest Court, succeeding Sir Henry Strong. We are glad to record and to concur in