

The Supreme Court of Canada, and Exchequer Court of Canada.

The Supreme Court is composed of a Chief Justice and five Puisne Judges, five of whom constitute a quorum. It has both original and appellate jurisdiction.—*Original*, as to (1) *habeas corpus* in criminal and extradition cases; (2) judicial opinions to the crown; (3) private bills and petitions therefore referred by the Senate or House of Commons; and (4) civil suits in which the validity of a Dominion or Provincial Act is questioned. *Appellate*, in appeals (1) from the Exchequer Court; (2) from the Provincial Courts; (3) in *habeas corpus* cases; and (4) in election cases.

The Exchequer Court has original jurisdiction (1) in revenue cases; (2) in civil suits when the Crown for the Dominion is plaintiff; (3) controversies between the Dominion and a Province or between two Provinces.

Chief Justice.—*The Hon. Sir WILLIAM JOHNSTON RITCHIE, Kt. S.* of the late Hon. Justice Ritchie, of N. S. B. at Annapolis, N.S., 28 Oct., 1813. Ed. at Pictou. M., 1st, Miss Strang, of St. Andrew's, N.B.; 2nd, 1854, Grace Vernon, dau. of the late Thos. L. Nicholson, Esq., of St. John, and step-dau. of the late Admiral Hon. W. F. Owen, R.N., of Campobello. Studied law with his brother, the present Chief Judge in Equity for N.S., and was called to the Bar, N.B., 1838. Apptd. a Q.C., 1854. Was a mem. of the Ex. Council, N.B., from Oct. 1854 until apptd. a Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court, N.B., 17 Aug. 1855, in which position he remained until he succeeded the late Hon. Robert Parker as Chief Justice of N.B., 6 Dec. 1865. Apptd. a Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of the Dominion, 8 Oct., 1875. Apptd. Chief Justice, 11 Jan., 1879. (*Salary* \$8,000.) Sat for the City and County of St. John in N.B. Assen. from 1846 until 1851, when he retired, and from 1854 until his elevation to the Bench. Knighted by Her Majesty the Queen, 1 Nov., 1881. Was Deputy-Governor of Canada during the absence of Lord Lorne in England, from 6 July, 1881, to Jan., 1882, and again from 6 Sept. to Dec., 1882. Apptd. deputy of the Governor-General 5 March, 1884.—*Metcalfs St., Ottawa.*

PUISNE JUDGES.

The Hon. SAMUEL HENRY STRONG.—S. of Rev. Dr. Strong, formerly minister of the Church of Eng. at Hull, P.Q., and afterwards of Toronto. B. in Dorsetshire, Eng., 1825. Called to the Bar, U.C., Hilary, Term, 1848. Apptd. a Q.C., 1863. Was on the Commission for consolidating the Public General Statutes of U.C. and Canada from Dec. 1856, to Dec. 1859. Apptd. a Vice-Chancellor for Ont. 27 Dec., 1869; transferred to the Court of Error and Appeal, 27 May, 1874; apptd. a Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court, 8 Oct., 1875. (*Salary*, \$7,000).—509 Cumberland St., Rideau Club, Ottawa.

The Hon. TELESPHORE FOURNIER.—B. at St. Francois, Rivière du Sud, Montmagny, P.Q., 1823. Ed. at Nicolet Coll. M. 1857, Miss Demers. Called to the Bar, L.C., 1846. Apptd. a Q.C., 1863. Has been *Batonnier* of the Quebec Bar, and Presdt. of the General Council of the Bar of the Prov. of Quebec. Was one of the editors of *Le National* newspaper (Quebec) 1856-57-58. Sworn of the Privy Council, 7 Nov., 1873, and was Minister of Inland Revenue from that date until 8 July, 1874, when apptd. to succeed Hon. Sir A. A. (now Chief