

Court of Chancery, an unusual and interesting ceremony took place in the special honourary call to the Bar, by the Lord Chancellor, of a distinguished Irishman, who has been staying for an interval amongst us, from the Canadian Dominion. The Benchers will be commended by every member of the profession, and the public will cordially endorse their action, for conferring such an honour upon the Hon. Senator Gowan. As we have said, Judge Gowan is a native of Ireland, and ranks high amongst the numerous body of able men who have risen to eminence in the colonies. \* \* We have no doubt that Senator Gowan very highly appreciates the honour done to him in associating him in fellowship with the Bar of his native country, and he will return to his high duties in Canada with, we should hope, a pleasing recollection of the hospitality shown to him, and the gratified consciousness that his abilities and character are known and appreciated alike by the legal profession in Ireland and by his countrymen generally."

The *Canadian Gazette* of the 14th November (published in London),\* also refers to the call: "The legal

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\* The same issue of this journal also refers to Senator Gowan's career in Canada as follows: "The Hon. James Robert Gowan, LL.D., upon whom this almost unique honour has been bestowed, can look back upon a long and honoured career in Canada. By birth Judge Gowan is an Irishman, owning Wexford as his native county. Early in life he came with his father, the late Mr. H. H. Gowan, to Ontario, and in 1834, when only nineteen years of age, was admitted as a student