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## DIARY FOR MARCH.

1. Tues...Co. Ct. sitt. for York begin. Ct. of Appeal sitt. begin.
3. Sat.....Osler J. appointed.
6. Sun....Quadragesima Sunday. Name o. York changed to Toronto, 1834.
11. Fri..... First London daily paper, 1702.
13. Sun.....and Sunday in Lent.
17. Thurs..St. Patrick's Day.
18. Fri.....Princess Louise born, 1848.
20. Sun.....3rd Sunday in Lent.
23. Wed.....Sir George Arthur, Lieut.-Governor U. C., 1838.
27. Sun.....4th Sunday in Lent.
28. Mon....Canada ceded to France, 1632.
30. Wed....B. N. A. Act assented to, 1867.
31. Thurs..Lord Metcalfe, Governor-General, 1843.

*TORONTO, MARCH 15th, 1881.*

WE understand that the vacancy in the Chief Justiceship of the Court of Appeal has been filled by the appointment of the Chancellor to that position. No other appointments have as yet been made.

George C. V. Buchanan, Esq., Q. C., has been appointed one of the Judges of the Superior Court of the Province of Quebec, in the room of the late Judge Dunkin.

THE new Ontario Judicature Act has now become law and before the 22nd of August next, every member of the profession must have made himself tolerably familiar with an entirely new system of pleading and practice. Any aid, therefore, to the understanding of the voluminous and, for a simplification of practice, complicated code of the new procedure will be welcomed. Of the three or four editions of the Act which have been announced, or about which rumour has whispered during the last few weeks, those which are most looked forward to are

undoubtedly those of Mr. James Maclellan, Q. C., and of Mr. T. W. Taylor, Q. C.

MR. TAYLOR is so well known to the profession as an author and annotator that we need not enlarge upon his qualifications for such a work. His book on the Chancery Orders has been simply invaluable to the equity practitioner, and it will be generally felt that few better men could be found to do this work than Mr. Taylor. He has proved himself a painstaking and faithful annotator, and no one of course, is more familiar with the Chancery practice, which has largely entered into the construction of the Rules and Orders under the new Act.

MR. TAYLOR'S work will doubtless have a formidable competitor in Mr. Maclellan's, which is already, in an advanced stage of preparation. Our readers will remember that last year, upon the submission of a Judicature bill for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly, an announcement was made by Mr. Maclellan of his intention to publish an edition of the Act in case it became law. While the profession and the public have been a year considering the proposed bill, Mr. Maclellan has, apparently, not been idle. We have had an opportunity for perusing the advance sheets of the work, which promises to be not merely a most lucid and masterly commentary upon the Act, but also a complete and comprehensive compendium of the practice of the Courts.

Mr. Maclellan's qualifications for such a work must be at once recognized by all. His varied and extensive knowledge of the law has raised him to one of the most promi-