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appreciation of Judge Gowan's long judicial services,"
 and assuring him that the same sentiments "of esteem
 and high respect that animated the Council towards
 his person were equally shared by the people at large."
 As the *Canadian Biographical Dictionary*, in refer-
 ring to this matter says: "Energetic and earnest,
 and fearless and firm as a judge, yet his relations
 have always been pleasant with those having business
 before him, and he has secured the regard and respect
 of the legal profession."

Upon this graceful act the public press commented
 in terms of approval, and it must have been gratifying
 as it was encouraging, and that he retained their
 regard and respect to the very close of his career on the
 Bench, we shall have occasion to show before closing
 this sketch. Perhaps the most striking evidence of his
 great aptitude for the position, was his wise and suc-
 cessful administration of patronage, in the selection of
 officers for the several Division Courts over which he
 presided. Until very recently, the duty of appointing
 all the officers of these courts belonged to the senior
 judge—the power of appointment and removal—for
 all held office during the pleasure of the judge. In
 Judge Gowan's extended jurisdiction he had the ap-
 pointment to some twenty-five offices, several of them,
 at the time, giving an income, from fees, larger than the
 Judge's own salary. During the whole period of his
 incumbency over one hundred officers were appointed
 by him, and so judicious had been his selection that