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Lord Chief Justice Russell has everywhere had a cordial reception in America, and has made a most favorable impression. An observer of the highest order of intelligence and experience, with unusual opportunities of observation, his lordship will undoubtedly gather a store of knowledge both extensive and accurate of cis-atlantic affairs—knowledge which will prove useful to himself in the future, and probably be serviceable to others. It is to be hoped that other gentlemen holding high judicial office in England will follow the example of Lord Russell, and occasionally spend a portion of their vacation on this side of the Atlantic.

The Supreme Court of Canada is well up with its business, so that a temporary interruption of the sittings, if it should occur, will be less serious than it otherwise would be. Unfortunately, there seems to be some danger of a partial dislocation of the Court. The health of Mr. Justice Gwynne, who has been away on leave of absence, is said to be still not very good, and Mr. Justice Taschereau has also asked for leave. In addition to this, Mr. Justice King may be obliged to absent himself in