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## *CURRENT TOPICS AND CASES.*

The Jubilee honors include knighthoods to three Canadian judges. In the Province of Quebec the Acting Chief Justice of the Superior Court at Montreal becomes Sir Melbourne M. Tait. Since his accession to the bench, and more particularly since his appointment to the position of Acting Chief Justice of the Superior Court, Sir Melbourne Tait has won golden opinions from the bar, who best know and are competent to appreciate the important services rendered by the Chief Justice. From a number of causes--illness and absence of some of the judges, increase of court work owing to election contestations, and litigation arising from the new electric and other corporations organized of late years, and last but not least, the augmentation of the work of the Court of Review, proceeding from the change in the law which permits appeals to be taken directly from the Court of Review to the Supreme Court,—from these and other causes, the rolls of the Superior Court and Court of Review had become abnormally congested with cases. The Acting Chief Justice applied himself with untiring energy and considerable administrative ability to remedy