

covenant or contract, where the amount is ascertained by the acts of the parties, or signature of the defendant, to \$400.00. The appeal lies to either of the Superior Courts of Law. These Courts also possess equity powers to the amount of \$200.00, subject to an appeal to the Court of Chancery.

SURROGATE COURTS.—The jurisdiction of these Courts relates to all testamentary matters and causes, and to the granting or revoking of probate of wills, and letters of administration of the effects of deceased persons having estate or effects in Upper Canada. The County Judges are also Judges of the Surrogate Courts. Sir J. L. Robinson, Surrogate Clerk, Toronto.

DIVISION COURTS.—For the summary disposal of cases by a Judge; but a jury of five persons may be demanded in certain cases. Their jurisdiction extends to actions of debt or contracts amounting to \$100.00; injuries or torts to personal chattels amounting to \$40. Courts are held once in two months in each division, or oftener, at the discretion of the Judge.

RECORDER'S COURT.—In the cities of Toronto, Hamilton, London, Kingston, and Ottawa, the Recorder's Court takes the place of the County Sessions, the Justices for Counties having no jurisdiction in the Cities—the care of which is confined to the Recorder, Mayor, Aldermen, and Police Magistrate of each. Sessions held 2nd Monday in January, 1st Monday in April and July, and 3rd Monday in November. *Recorders*, George Duggan, Toronto; James O'Reilly, Kingston; John E. Start, Hamilton; Wm. Horton, London; J. B. Lewis, Ottawa.

INSOLVENT DEBTOR'S COURT.—The County Judge in each County presides.

TERMS OF THE COURTS.

APPEAL TERMS.—Commence on the fourth Thursday next after Hilary, Easter, and Michaelmas Terms.

LAW TERMS.—Hilary begins first Monday in February, and ends Saturday of the ensuing week; Easter begins third Monday in May, and ends Saturday of the ensuing week; Trinity begins Monday next after 21st August, and ends on Saturday of the ensuing week. Michaelmas begins third Monday in November, and ends Saturday of the ensuing week. Long vacation from 1st July to 21st August.

COUNTY COURT TERMS.—Commence on the 1st Monday in January, April, July, and October, and end the following Saturday.

CIRCUITS OF THE COURTS.

LAW CIRCUITS.—The Circuits are held twice a year in each county, between Hilary and Easter Terms, and between Trinity and Michaelmas Terms, except in the County of York, where there are three in each year, commencing on Thursday next, after municipal elections in January, the second Monday in April, and the second Monday in October in each year.

LEGAL HOLIDAYS.

Sunday; New Year's Day; Epiphany; Annunciation; Good Friday; Ascension; Corpus Christi; St Peter; St Paul; All Saints; Christmas Day; and any day appointed by proclamation for a general fast or thanksgiving.

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