Bank, an opposition firm. — Mr. Gordon, manager of the plaintiffs, proved these facts in evidence. He said that the defendant was a very valuable servant, and the bank were put to great inconvenience by his leaving.—The jury, after a brief retirement, found a verdict for the plaintiffs, damages 1111.

# INSOLVENT NOTICES, ETC.

Quebec Official Gazette, Oct. 1. Judicial Abandonments.

Louis Bonville, Ste Cunégonde, Sept. 17.

Zotique Deschamps, saddler, Montreal, Aug. 15. Louis Collin & Frère, dry goods, St. Sauveur de

Québec, Sept. 30. Joseph Perreault, Montreal, Sept. 27.

Olivier Seguin, tailor, Montreal, Sept. 6.

Jacques Villeneuve, trader, Montreal, Sept. 23.

Curators appointed.

Re Bessette, Lefort & Co.-Kent & Turcotte, Montreal, curator, Sept. 27.

Re Dery & Larue, traders, St. Charles.-H. A. Bedard, Quebec, curator, Sept. 26.

Re Zotique Deschamps, saddler, Montreal.—Henry Ward, Montreal, curator, Aug. 23.

Re Elliott, Finlayson & Co., Montreal.-Kent & Turcotte, Montreal, curator. Sept. 10.

Re J. A. Giard.-C. Desmarteau, Montreal, curator, Sept. 27.

Re Hogle & Co.-H. A. Odell, Sherbrooke, curator, Sept. 19.

Re Frederick Keasey, grocer.-Hy. Ward and Alex. Gowdey, Montreal, curators, Aug. 12.

Re Jean-Bie. Leblanc, St. Sauveur de Québec.-H. A. Bedard, Quebec, curator, Aug. 19.

Re Hermenegilde Morin, saloon keeper.-H. Ward and Alex. Gowdey, Montreal, curators, Sept. 19.

Re Arsène Neveu.-C. Desmarteau, Montreal, curator, Sept. 29.

Re L. J. Rhéaume, St. Henri.-Kent & Turcotte, Montreal, curator, Sept. 27.

Re Louis Robinson, tailor.—A. W. Stevenson, Montreal, curator, Sept. 27.

#### Dividends.

Re Zotique Deschamps, saddler.-First and final dividend, Henry Ward, Montreal, curator.

Re Louis Phillippe Gagnon, St. Roch des Aulnets.--First and final dividend, payable Oct. 15, H. A. Bedard, Quebec, curator.

Re C. E. Kapps, Chute aux Iroquois.—First and final dividend, payable Oct. 18, Kent & Turcotte, Montreal, curator.

Re Max Kert.-Dividend, W. A. Caldwell, Montreal, curator.

Re Louis Laberge.—First dividend, payable Oct. 18, Kent & Turcotte, Montreal, curator.

### Circuit Court, Ottawa Co.

Special term ordered, to be held at Hull, from 12th to 15th October

## Notice.

To incorporated companies to make declaration of corporate name, &c., under penalty imposed by 45 Vic. ch. 47.

Canada Gazette, Oct. 1.

Procedure in Criminal Cases.

Sections 1 and 2 of 50 & 51 Viet. ch. 50, to come into force Oct. 1.

Thanksgiving Day. November 17 appointed.

### GENERAL NOTES.

'RES GEST.E.'—The declarations made by one of the defendant's servants while assisting another in enforing its regulation as to deck passengers held admissible in evidence as part of the res gests (The New Jersey Steamboat Company v. Brockett, Sup. Ct. U.S. 19 Ch. Leg. N. 299).

WITH the five cases disposed of according to the House of Lords Register this week, the House has decided twenty-six appeals in the course of the year from the Court of Appeal, and has overruled that Court twelve times. The average of reversals has been increased by the four cases in which the appeal has been allowed during the week.—Law Journal.

IN Blackburn, Low & Co. v. Vigore (55 Law J. Rep. Q.B. 347), the House of Lords reversed the Court of Appeal, and upheld the view of the Master of the Rolls that information affecting the risk possessed by an agent who had been employed with a view to the insurance, but through whom the insurance in question was not made, was not information which can be imputed to the principal.—Ib.

The degradation of words in common speech gave countenance to the contention in *Crofts* v. *Taylor*, that dilution necessarily means mixing with water. A man dilutes his claret with water, but shandygaff is not ordinarily called a dilution, and a mixture of two wines is called not dilution, but, by a horrible misapplication of a good word, a 'blend.' In an Act of Parliament, the word has of course its proper meaning that is, any mixture of stronger with weaker liquids, the effect of which is to wash away a part of the strength of the stronger. To mix Barclay's beer with small beer is, therefore, obviously dilution. -Ib.

One of the morals to be drawn from the Lipski case is that, if the practice of respiting persons condemned to death for the purpose of allowing further inquiry to be made by their professional advisers is to be generally adopted, the one great advantage of the present system —namely, the reasonably expeditious disposal of criminals—will be prejudiced. That system consists of magisterial inquiry, the grand jury's inquest, the summing-up of a judge, the verdict of a jury, and if appealed to, the decision of the Home Secretary. The last stage should be the shortest of all, and should not be lengthened out by introducing into it functions which properly belong to a much earlier stage—namely, the exhaustive investigation of the facts by the convict's solicitor.— $T\delta$ .