

## DIARY FOR FEBRUARY.

5. SUNDAY .....	<i>Septuagesima Sunday.</i>
6. Monday .....	HILARY Term beg. Last d. for not. of Ex. Sandwich & Whitby
7. Tuesday .....	Chancery Ex. Term, Toronto, commences.
10. Friday .....	Paper Day, Q. B.
11. Saturday .....	Paper Day, C. P.
12. SUNDAY .....	<i>Octaves Sunday.</i>
13. Monday .....	Paper Day, Q. B. Last d. for not. of Ex. Chatham & Colbourg
14. Tuesday .....	Paper Day, C. P.
15. Wednesday .....	Paper Day, Q. B. Last day for serv. of Writ in Co. Court Y. & P.
16. Thursday .....	Paper Day, C. P.
18. Saturday .....	HILARY Term ends.
19. SUNDAY .....	<i>Quinquagesima Sunday.</i>
20. Monday .....	Last day for notice of Ex. Chancery for London & Belleville.
21. Tuesday .....	Shrove Tuesday. Chanc. Ex. Term, Sandwich & Whitby com.
22. Wednesday .....	<i>Ash Wednesday.</i>
25. Saturday .....	Last day for declaring in County Court.
26. SUNDAY .....	<i>1st Sunday in Lent.</i>
27. Monday .....	Last day for Chancery notice of Ex. London and Belleville.
28. Tuesday .....	Chancery Ex. term, Chatham and Colbourg, commences.

## IMPORTANT BUSINESS NOTICE.

*Persons indebted to the Proprietors of this Journal are requested to remember that all our past due accounts have been placed in the hands of Messrs. Patton & Ardagh, Attorneys, Barrie, for collection; and that only a prompt remittance to them, will save costs.*

*It is with great reluctance that the Proprietors have adopted this course; but they have been compelled to do so in order to enable them to meet their current expenses, which are very heavy.*

*Now that the usefulness of the Journal is so generally admitted, it would not be unreasonable to expect that the Profession and Officers of the Courts would accord it a liberal support, instead of allowing themselves to be sued for their subscriptions.*

TO CORRESPONDENTS—See last page.

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## OUR CALENDAR.

It having been decided in *Cuthbert v. Street*, 6 U. C. Law Journal, p. 20, that in computing the eight days required for Notice of Trial, the commission day of the assizes is to be excluded, we so altered our calendar as to meet the effect of the decision.

Though necessary, in consequence of this alteration, to shift back one day the several days named for pleading, serving process, and other proceedings in a cause, by some oversight, the compiler of the calendar neglected to do so.

The oversight was not known to us, until the issue of the calendar with our last number, and now that it is in our power to draw attention to the fact, we not only do so, but issue a new and amended calendar with this number.

We are most anxious to make the yearly calendar as correct as possible, and in order to attain this object, spare neither trouble nor expense.

We shall take it as a favour, if any person discover a material error in the calendar now issued, and will inform us of the same, with a view to correction.

## REGISTRARS—DUTIES AND LIABILITIES.

The registration of title to lands is become a subject of much importance in Upper Canada.

Much depends upon the proper discharge of duty by the several Registrars of the Counties, Ridings and Cities, and much dissatisfaction is felt at the carelessness of some and the rapacity of others.

It is a fact, that in some Counties the Registrars, in regard to fees, know of no law but their own selfishness, and in others are as disobliging as their ignorance of the law regulating the performance of their duties is lamentable.

The greater number of the Registrars of Upper Canada are, as we have reason to believe, free from these terms of reproach. They discharge the duties appertaining to their offices to the satisfaction of the public and in strict accordance with the requirements of the law. As a rule, those who know most about the duties of their office are the most obliging. All are public servants, and it is the duty of each public servant to be courteous in his dealings with the public.

We proceed in this number of the *Law Journal* to make some remarks on the duties and liabilities of Registrars of titles to land.

It is the duty of every Registrar, or his deputy, to attend at his office every day in the year (excepting Sunday, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, and the Queen's Birthday,) from the hour of 10 in the forenoon until 3 in the afternoon.

Upon payment of his proper fees, of which we shall say more hereafter, it is his duty to register such Deeds, Conveyances, Powers of Attorney, Wills, Devises, Judgments, Decrees of Foreclosure, Bills in Chancery, Certificates of Satisfaction, Discharges of Decrees or Orders of Chancery and Rules or Orders of Court directing the payment of money other than costs, and other instruments such as mentioned in the Consolidated Statute of Upper Canada, chapter 89.

It is also his duty, when required to make searches concerning all Memorials registered, and concerning all Deeds, Wills or Judgments, Decrees or Orders recorded, and give certificates thereof under his hand if required by any person.

The books, indexes, and other documents in the office of the Registrar are all in his keeping, not merely for the convenience of parties but for the safety of the community, who are interested in their being preserved unaltered and unutilated. He is not obliged to place his books and indexes in the hands of any person desiring to make a search, but may in his discretion do so.