

fitness of Sir Montague Smith's appointment. Result justified the choice. Of the four paid members then nominated none gave more satisfaction than he. That tribunal has often been charged with excessive timidity—as too prone to decide large questions upon small grounds, and not to give colonial Courts all the light and leading which they desire and fairly expect. The late judge was not the man to deprive that criticism of all its point. He excelled in clear analysis of facts and authorities. He fell, perhaps, too readily into the habit, fostered by the system of delivering judgment peculiar to that tribunal—a judgment which may exactly express the view of no one who is a party to it—of deciding nothing more than was absolutely necessary. But he did good work, as none would more freely admit than the Canadian and other colonial lawyers who appeared before him; and one or two of the judgments prepared by him—for example, that in *The Bank of New South Wales v. Owston*—are in their way classical. It has been said that a marked difference, one of kind and temper, exists between lawyers trained before and those trained after the Common Law Procedure Acts. Sir Montague Smith belonged to the former; he had their accuracy and firm hold of principles. But he had nothing of their pertinacious love of 'singleness of issue' and other technical beauties, and he was altogether modern in his desire to do justice, even at the expense of forms. We might have had abler and more learned men to sit in that greatest of all Courts of Appeal, the Judicial Committee. But he, with his disciplined sagacity, high sense of honor and long experience, gave satisfaction where more brilliant men might have failed.—*Times*.

INSOLVENT NOTICES, &c.

Quebec Official Gazette, June 6.

Judicial Abandonments.

- Bernardin Desbiens, trader, Hébertville, May 28.
 William Duffy, file manufacturer, Ste Cunégonde, May 27.
 Jos. Julien, trader, Ste. Jeanne de Neuville, May 26.
 Gabriel Lewis & Co., Montreal, June 1.
 James Millar, trader, East Angus, township of Westbury, May 21.
 Cree, Scott & Co., shirt and collar manufacturers, Montreal, May 29.

Curators appointed.

- Re* William Duffy, Cote St. Paul.—W. A. Caldwell, Montreal, curator, June 4.
Re Willie Burke, trader, St. Hyacinthe.—J. O. Dion, St. Hyacinthe, curator, June 1.
Re Zoël Gagnon, trader, Ste Agnès de Charlevoix.—H. A. Bedard, Quebec, curator, June 2.
Re Lamarche & Gagnon.—J. M. Marcotte, Montreal, curator, May 30.
Re Joseph Savoie.—H. Guimont, Somerset, curator, June 2.
Re S. Thibault, grocer.—Bilodeau & Renaud, Montreal, joint curator, June 4.

Dividends.

- Re* O. Bégin & Co., boot and shoe manufacturers, Quebec.—Second and final dividend, payable June 22, N. Matte, Quebec, curator.
Re J. Dayet & Co., wine and liquor merchants, Quebec, (absentees).—First dividend, payable June 22, N. Matte, Quebec, curator.
Re X. A. Robidoux, St. Sébastien.—First and final dividend, payable June 21, Lamarche & Frigon, Montreal, joint curator.
Re George Stewart, absentee.—First dividend, payable June 18, C. Desmarteau, Montreal, curator.

APPOINTMENTS.

- Euclide Tremblay, M. D., L. F. Fafard, C. Clément, and L. H. Labreque, M. D., to be jointly coroner for the District of Saguenay.
 C. G. H. Beaudoin and M. Lavoie, to be joint registrar for the registration division of Joliette.

LIQUIDATOR.

- Re* The Eastern Townships Mutual Fire Insurance Company.—David Seath, Montreal, and D. A. Mansur, Stanstead, to be joint liquidator of the company, insolvent.

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Judicial Abandonments.

- Charles C. Cairns, dealer in fancy goods, Montreal, June 5.
 Hornisdas B. Lafleur, trader, parish of Ste. Adèle, June 5.
 Elizabeth Burns, doing business under the name of Thomas O'Hare & Co., grocer, Montreal, June 3.
 Robert Price, butcher, Sherbrooke, June 3.

Curators appointed.

- Re* W. J. Clarke & Co., Montreal.—G. H. Trigge, Montreal, curator, June 2.
Re Cree, Scott & Co., Montreal.—A. F. Riddell, Montreal, curator, June 5.
Re George Daveluy, insurance broker, Montreal.—D. Seath, Montreal, curator, May 30.
Re Eastern Townships Mutual Fire Insurance Co.—D. Seath, Montreal, and D. A. Mansur, Stanstead, joint liquidator, May 30.
Re David Greenglass, dealer in trunks, Montreal.—H. Collins, Montreal, curator, June 2.

Dividends.

- Re* Michael Babcock (R. Millard & Co.).—First and final dividend, payable June 30, A. F. Riddell, Montreal, curator.
Re M. Cuddy, dry goods, Montreal.—First and final dividend, payable July 2, D. Seath, Montreal, curator.
Re R. T. Dinaham.—Second and final dividend, payable June 26, Bilodeau & Renaud, Montreal, joint curator.
Re Bruno Duperré, saddler, Quebec.—First and final dividend, payable June 30, H. A. Bedard, Quebec, curator.
Re Letourneau & Paré, tailors, Quebec.—Second and final dividend, payable June 30, H. A. Bedard, Quebec, curator.
Re Chs. Ouellet.—Second and final dividend, payable June 23, Bilodeau & Renaud, Montreal, joint curator.
Re R. Tyler, Sons & Co.—First dividend, payable July 2, W. A. Caldwell, Montreal, curator.

APPOINTMENT.

- Olivier Dostaler, Montreal, to be insurance inspector, in the place of Geo. Daveluy.