

Prac.] NOTES OF CANADIAN CASES—CORRESPONDENCE—FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

Mr. Dalton, Q.C.] [October 4.]

THE KING ET AL. V. GRAND TRUNK RY. CO.

Notice of trial—Plaintiffs severing—O. J. A.

Since the Ontario Judicature Act any one of the parties, plaintiffs or defendants, may give notice of trial, if the record be in a state to take it down.

Aylesworth, for the defendants.

Fowler, for the plaintiffs, R. and J. T.

MacGregor, for the plaintiff, T. T.

Ferguson, J.] [October 11.]

MURRAY V. WARNER.

Discovery—Rule 285, O. J. A.—Examination of assignor by assignee.

The plaintiff, who was the father of A. S. M., an insolvent trader, sued the assignee and trustee for the benefit of creditors of A. S. M., claiming a declaration of right to rank on the estate for a large sum.

The assignee was instructed by the creditors to resist the claim, and had himself no personal knowledge of the transaction, between the plaintiff and his son, and could find no entry of it in the books or papers of A. S. M. Under these circumstances an order under rule 285 for the examination by the defendant of A. S. M. for discovery before the trial was affirmed.

J. R. Roaf, for the plaintiff.

Holman, for the defendant.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the LAW JOURNAL:

SIR,—It would be a great convenience to the legal profession if an authorized law list of barristers and solicitors entitled to practise in this Province were published, not only for the use of the profession, but for the use of the commercial laity. If one were published by the 1st January it would give ample time to the profession to pay their fees, and thus prevent their name being omitted, and from this list it could be ascertained who were in good standing. I believe the cost of publication would be more than covered by the sales to the general public, and leave sufficient margin to give a copy with the proceedings of Convocation bound up with it gratuitously to each practitioner. I say, "Give!" on second thought, would not a copy be due to each member as some return for the heavy fees he is generally called on to contribute towards the Law Society? I trust this subject will be considered by the present Benchers of the Law Society, even if at the instance of one of the new blood.

Yours respectfully,

H. W. C. MEYER.

Wingham, Ont., 21st Sept., 1886.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

BULLUM v. BOATUM.

(Read before the Cincinnati Literary Club.)

I was fortunate enough to be present the other evening when a member of the club generously rescued the once famous "Dred Scott" case from being entirely lost and covered up with the dust of contumely and neglect, by pulling out the old thing by the legs and then blowing it out, and white-washing it so artistically that for a few minutes it looked as natural as one of the stuffed figures in a museum of curiosities. This has encouraged me to undertake a similar enterprise, viz.: to pull another old case out of the mud and try my skill as an amateur taxidermist. If I can only make the old fossil stand upon its hind legs for a few moments