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As we go to press we receive the Bill of the Attorney-General on the subject of law reform. We are obliged to reserve any comments until our next issue.

WE seem to have, in Canada, a more than passing interest in the career of Lord Russell, Chief Justice of England, owing to his connection with the cause celebre of the Benring arbitration, in which Canadians were somewhat concerned. We have, therefore, pleasure in reproducing the following extract from our namesake in England, in its issue of February 23rd: "Lord Russell has now occupied the seat of Chief Justice for a sufficient time to enable the profession to form a trustworthy opinion as to his judicial qualities. There can be no doubt as to what that opinion is. Lord Russell has, of course, displayed, in his short tenure of office, all the characteristics to which he owed his unrivalled position at the Bar—a wide and varied knowledge of

nature, marvellous quickness in mastering the most complicated facts, and singular clearness in reproducing them. But he has done much more than this. We all expected him to keep a firm rein over the proceedings in his court. But some of us, perhaps, did not anticipate that he would, at least at the very outset of his judicial career, exhibit the patience, the self-restraint, and the evenness of judgment which he has already evinced. The possibility that he might, at first, be somewhat defective in these qualities was the only cloud that hung over the horizon of the hopes of the legal profession in regard to his judicial work. Lord Russell has effectually dissipated them, and he bids fair to be as great a Chief Justice as Sir Alexander Cockburn."