

AN INCIDENT—OUR APPEAL—HILARY TERM, 1865.

TIME IS MONEY—AN INCIDENT.

During Hilary Term two Queen's Counsel in the Court of Common Pleas, disputed as to the responsibility of setting down an appeal from a County Court, which had been set down during a previous term, but, owing to some defect in the proceedings, not heard. The expenditure involved was the crushing sum of fifty cents. The clerk of the court, with becoming dignity and a keen eye to the revenue, refused to receive the appeal books unless some one gave him a fifty cent stamp. The counsel for the appellant declined to pay as he said he had already disbursed that amount during the previous term. The counsel for the respondent contended that it was no part of his business to pay for setting down the appeal of his adversary. When the learned gentlemen were about to argue the weighty point in due and ancient form, the Chief Justice, much to the relief of counsel who had cases ready for argument, called the usher of the court, gave him a \$1 bill, and ordered him to purchase a fifty cent stamp and hand it to the clerk of the court. This the usher did, whereupon the clerk was ordered to receive the appeal and "mark the fees paid." The business of the court was then proceeded with without further loss of time.

OUR APPEAL.

We are glad to say that the county judges, with one exception, have most kindly responded to our appeal for support.

The exception is that of a judge whose name out of charity we repress, but the only judge in the Province, we venture to say, that could indite such an epistle as the following:

"Judge ——— has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the letter of the Editors of the *Upper Canada Law Journal* of date of Feb'y 1st instant.

"Judge ——— most respectfully begs to inform the Editors that he does not *understanding* touting for newspapers, and suggests that some better qualified person should be employed.

"———, Feb'y 4, 1865."

The *learned* Judge greatly misunderstands us if he supposes that by sending him the circular we intended him to infer that he understands "touting for newspapers" any better than he understands law or English grammar. We hoped in exchange for the law that he so greatly needs, to receive, at least,

the politeness of a gentleman and the support which his position as a Judge is *supposed* to give him. It is quite possible that he has not the influence we naturally imagined he had and his excuse, under the circumstances, we are willing to accept. We have no doubt that we can easily find a person "better qualified" than himself to explain to others the value of that which he does not appear to understand.

The writer of the note before us professes to have, we are informed, a sovereign contempt for "American jurists," and has no favorable opinion of our own, for he finds that the cases in our Superior Courts "rather embarrass him than otherwise!" He is therefore consistent enough in declining to interest himself for a publication intended to circulate a knowledge of those very decisions.

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CALLS TO THE BAR.

The following gentlemen during this term passed the necessary examination qualifying them for call to the Bar of Upper Canada:

H. Bird, Woodstock; H. H. Coyne, London; F. Duggan, Toronto; F. M. Fairbairn, Peterboro'; George Airey Kirkpatrick, Kingston; J. F. McDonald, Ingersoll; D. Mitchell McDonald, Toronto; Ewan McEwan, Kingston; George Kennedy, Toronto; F. A. Read, Toronto; R. N. Rogers, Kingston; C. Scott, Stratford; J. F. Tom, Goderich.

Messrs. Coyne and Kirkpatrick were not required, owing to their very creditable written examinations, to go through the ordeal of the *visa voce* examination.

ADMISSIONS AS ATTORNEYS.

The following gentlemen during the same term were successful in passing their examinations for admission:

Richard R. Brough, London; Jno. J. Brown, London; John M. Bruce, Hamilton; Fred. Duggan, Toronto; James H. Esten, Toronto; Donald Gilchrist, Brampton; C. E. Hamilton, St. Catharines; John E. Hardinge; Erskine Irving, Hamilton; George Kennedy, Toronto; G. Airey Kirkpatrick, Kingston (without oral examination); George Lount, Barrie; J. A. Macpherson, Whitby; James F. McDonald, Ingersoll; Edward Morrill, Picton; J. J. Murphy, Ottawa; N. F. Paterson, Toronto; J. F. Patterson, Toronto; R. V. Rogers, Kingston; S. W. Scane, Chatham; F. P. Thompson, St. Catharines; Henry Totten, Brantford; J. White, Windsor.