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nothing to distinguish it from other maritime commerce of the world. There is not a contract or a wrong, not a want, right or a duty, not a construction, or a contrivance, a utensil, a material, or a supply, nor an agent of commerce, animate or inanimate, that is met with on the widest, the stormiest and saltiest ocean that has not its counterpart on these mighty lakes and rivers, and the same rules of law should prevail. A salvage, an average, a bottomry, a case of wages, of freight, tonnage, of wharfage and the like, on Lake Superior, Lake Huron, Georgian Bay, Lake Erie, Lake Ontario, and the River St. Lawrence, are as clearly cases of admiralty and maritime jurisdiction, and as much subject to the admiralty and maritime law, as similar cases in the Black Sea, the Bosphorus, the Dardanelles, the Baltic, the Irish Channel, the Straits of Magellan, or the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Their nature is the same everywhere, they are maritime everywhere, be the waters fresh or salt, having a tide or tideless, and for the future they will be the same in the Province of Ontario and Dominion of Canada."

Many cases have already been brought before this Court, and it is reasonable to suppose that its business will much increase as time goes on. There are to be three sittings in the year for the trial of contested cases, and the Judge holds Chambers once a-week. The Surrogate Judges have not yet been appointed, but we understand that they will be shortly.

We hope when any case of importance is decided to report it for the benefit of our readers.

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The following is the *resumé* of the proceedings of the Benchers during this term published by authority :

Monday, 26th August, 1878.

In the absence of the Treasurer, Mr. D. B. Read was elected Chairman of Convocation.

The Report of the Examiners for Call

was read showing that the following gentlemen had passed their examination, namely, Messrs. H. P. Sheppard, I. Campbell, F. P. Betts, A. B. Aylsworth, R. Dulmage, H. T. Beck, M. Wilson, W. H. Ferguson, W. E. Higgins, T. Haslett, J. C. Hegler, F. W. Patterson, J. G. Kelly, E. L. Chamberlain, M. Sheppard, Jr., N. H. Ray.

Ordered that Messrs. Sheppard, Campbell, Betts, Aylsworth, Dulmage, Beck, Wilson, Ferguson, Higgins, Haskett, Hegler, Patterson, Chamberlain, Sheppard and Ray be called to the Bar.

Ordered that the following gentlemen be granted their certificates to practise as Attorneys, namely, Messrs. Sheppard, Haverson, Shepley, Jeffrey, Ross, Blackstock, Rolph, Barclay, Best, Dowsley, Haines, Lawrence and Going.

The Report of the Examiners upon the Intermediate Examinations was read and adopted.

The following gentlemen presented petitions which were read and referred to the Legal Education Committee, namely, Messrs. Sweet, Riordan, Taylor, Darling, Lane, Loughhead and Zimmerman.

Ordered that the recommendation of the Committee in the case of Joseph Cooper, Assistant in the Library, be adopted.

Thursday, 27th August.

Ordered that D. B. Read, Esq., Q. C., be chairman in the absence of the Treasurer.

Ordered that Elliott Travers be granted his certificate of fitness on production of his diploma and complete certificate of Mr. Peter McCarthy. The petitions of G. T. Goodeve and J. C. McCarthy were referred to the Legal Education Committee.

The Report of the Examining Committee on the Primary Examinations was