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We congratulate the Chancellor upon the honor of knighthood recently conferred upon him by Her Majesty. It is a well merited tribute to his high personal character and his eminent judicial qualities, as well as to the position which he occupies as President of the High Court of Justice of Ontario. It is fitting, moreover, that this journal should tender to Sir John Boyd its congratulations and best wishes on this occasion, inasmuch as before his elevation to the Bench he was for many years a highly valued contributor to the pages of this journal. May he long live to enjoy the honor and serve his country.

As the Lords and Commons of Canada have not as yet come to terms as to the measure known as the Re-distribution Bill, the proposal to appoint three judges of the High Court of Justice, as a Board of Arbitration for certain purposes in connection therewith, must stand over for the present, and any comment thereon may also be postponed until after the "dog days."

THE English journals have called attention to the unsatisfactory condition of things there in relation to the tardy administration of justice, especially in connection with criminal trials, and the absurd character of their circuit system, which is a relic of a bygone age. The Bar Council have taken up the matter, and have exposed the scandals of long delay in the trial of criminals. A suggestion has been made, which will probably be carried out, for the appointment of a royal commission to enquire into the subject. The *Times* in a trenchant article advocates an enquiry into the legal system as a whole, and it may be assumed that some radical changes will shortly be made. As a matter of minor importance we notice that the long vacation in England will run from August 1st to October 12th, instead of from August 12th to October 24th.