

Counties of Prescott and Russell in the Province of Ontario.
(April 8)

OBITUARY.

We regret to record the death on April 2, at the comparatively early age of 52, of the Hon. Mr. Justice T. L. Metcalfe, of the Court of King's Bench, Manitoba. He was an able, painstaking and learned Judge, highly respected by all. It is said that his health was impaired by his arduous duties in connection with the strikes at Winnipeg in 1920.

Flotsam and Jetsam

We have on the list of our exchanges one that hails from south of the lakes. We enjoy it and wish it success in these days of difficulty and drought for legal journals. But we are concerned for its future in that it has lapsed from the language of its forefathers, and we are filled with dismay as to what we may expect as to its future.

The heading of a contribution to our namesake is: "Are the lawyers properly functioning as officers?"

Memory here brings before us visions of "Beef Eaters" in glorious apparel, "Beadles" in blue coats and brass buttons, "Cops" in helmets, "Tipstaves" and such like. But it sounds ponderous and incongruous, not to say comical, in a country where our professional brethren always appear in Court in everyday costume; sometimes even, as we have seen in "the Wild and Woolly West," in the dog days, in their shirt sleeves (we forgive them)!

We venture to thin that perhaps lawyers could more "properly function as officers" if they were to return to the practice of wearing white ties and horse hair wigs.