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DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER.

17. Sat.....First Parliament of Upper Canada met at Niagara,
1792. Trinity term ends.
18. Sun.....15th Sunday after Trinity. Quebec surrendered
to the British, 1759.
21. Wed.....Sir Walter Scott died, 1832.
23. Sun.....16th Sunday after Trinity.
25. Wed.....W. H. Blake first Chancellor U. C., 1849.

TORONTO, SEPTEMBER 15, 1887.

THE following alterations have been made in the date of the Chancery Sittings at the following places:—Kingston will be held on 9th November instead of 12th September; Peterborough will be held on 27th October instead of 27th September; Barrie will be held on 1st November instead of 10th October. Mr. Justice Ferguson will take the Woodstock Sittings instead of Mr. Justice Robertson.

Mr. Justice Robertson, in addition to his Chancery Sittings, will hold the Assizes at Owen Sound on 26th September, Ottawa on 3rd October, Pembroke 17th October.

A LEARNED Q.C. in the city of Winnipeg has, we are informed, put up at the doorway of his office a huge black signboard, four feet long and three feet wide, on which are printed in large gold letters:

X. Y. Z.—
Q.C.,
Barrister, etc.,

the letters Q.C. being three times the size of the others.

This method of advertising has, at all events, the merit of novelty, and we are informed it excites great curiosity among the uninitiated as to the meaning of the letters Q.C. Some think they cannot mean "Queen's Counsel," otherwise

"Barrister," etc., would not have been added, because no man can be a Queen's Counsel unless he is a barrister, and to add barrister after Q.C. is like adding the words "biped, masculine gender." While the learned gentleman may be congratulated on the fertility of his ideas, and his ability to create a mystery out of a very simple matter, yet we think it is to be regretted that these qualities should be exercised in a way that is calculated to make his professional brethren conclude that he has forgotten the maxim *noblesse oblige*.

A POINT of some novelty and importance was recently considered by the Chancellor in Chambers, *in re Hall*. The facts of the case were as follows:—An intestate had left among his assets a promissory note for \$500 made by his son; the son had predeceased the intestate and his estate was insolvent; he however left issue, and the question submitted to the Chancellor was whether the \$500 due on the promissory should be brought into hotch-pot as an advancement made to the son, or whether it could be set off against the distributive shares which the children of the maker were entitled to of the intestate's estate. The point was raised by the administrator as against the grandchildren on an application to which the other next of kin were not parties, and consequently the learned Chancellor was unable to dispose of the whole case. He however determined that as between the parties before him the \$500 could not be required to be brought into hotch-pot in fixing the shares of the grandchildren; nor could the debt due by their parent be set off against their distributive shares of the estate. He therefore directed the ad