

"Are you a lawyer?"

"Yes. Why?"

"Well, I am in trouble."

"What about?" said the lawyer.

"They drove me out of town, and rode me on a rail, covered me all over with tar and feathers, and broke up my store at the 'Soo,' and I come down to see what I could do about it; they're all well off, and I was not guilty."

The story sounded fishy; the location was five hundred miles away; the man was a Canadian. The lawyer doubted whether any good would come of it, but said,—

"Why didn't you get a lawyer up there? Such a case is worth five hundred dollars."

"Lawyers up there all take sides against me," said the client; and down into his inside pocket he went, drew out and counted out five hundred dollars, which the lawyer took in amazement.

Then the little man looked like a prince. He was taller; he was important. Money made him stronger, braver.

"We'll *capias* every mother's son of them," said the lawyer, defiantly.

He took the money home, threw it in his wife's lap, kissed her, kissed his child, paced the floor in joy and delight. It was a god-send; it was a fortune to a poor lawyer.

Monday morning he swore out a *capias*, with twenty thousand dollars' bail, in the United States Court, gave it to the marshal, and waited. The time was long,—so long that he was about to complain to the Court of the marshal's lack of diligence,—when, on another Saturday night three weeks later, in walked the marshal with the rich defendants. They had come a long way to settle, to compromise, to ask the little man's forgiveness.

Now the lawyer grew haughty, then indignant; then proposed ten thousand dollars; then accepted six thousand and costs, with two hundred dollars extra to the marshal; then called his client, and received a snug two thousand dollars' fee; then furnished his home, and started business in earnest, with the spirit of the Indian, who believes that the spirits of all enemies captured in battle enter into the soul of the victor to make him a bigger Indian!—*J. W. Donovan*, in *The Green Bag*.

INSOLVENT NOTICES, ETC.

Quebec Official Gazette, Sept. 28.

Judicial Abandonments.

Duncan Campbell & Son, Montreal, Sept. 18.
Charles Fortier, grocer, Montreal, Sept. 17.
Sarah E. Laverty, grocer, Montreal, Sept. 20.
William O'Hara, gardener, Montreal, Sept. 24.
Alexis Potvin, contractor, St. Césaire, Sept. 23.

Curators Appointed.

Re Mary Callan Maxwell, Three Rivers.—Bilodeau & Renaud, Montreal, joint curator, Sept. 24.

Re L. E. Gélinas.—J. E. Girouard, Drummondville, curator, Sept. 17

Re Charles Fortier, grocer, Montreal.—G. Deserres, Montreal, curator, Sept. 25.

Re Pouliot & Falardeau.—N. Matte, Quebec, curator, Sept. 26.

Re J. C. Rousseau, Three Rivers.—Kent & Turcotte, Montreal, joint curator, Sept. 24.

Dividends.

Re Magloire Bonhomme, Ste. Etienne.—First dividend, payable October 16, Kent & Turcotte, Montreal, joint curator.

Re Joseph D'Anjou, St. Fabien.—First and final dividend, payable Oct. 14, H. A. Bedard, Quebec, curator.

Re A. R. Hudon, Lake Weedon.—First and final dividend, payable Oct. 14, H. A. Bedard, Quebec, curator.

Re Eusèbe Huot.—First and final dividend, payable Oct. 10, C. Desmarteau, Montreal, curator.

Re Wm. McCrudden, jr.—First and final dividend, payable Oct. 15, A. W. Stevenson, Montreal, curator.

Re S. J. McDonald.—First and final dividend, payable Oct. 18, C. Millier and J. J. Griffith, Sherbrooke, joint curator.

Re Maxime Nadeau.—Dividend, payable Oct. 15, C. F. Bouchard, Fraserville, curator.

Re Noé Henri Paradis.—First and final dividend, payable Oct. 12, C. Desmarteau, Montreal, curator.

Re Soucy & Duperré, saddlers.—First dividend, payable Oct. 14, H. A. Bedard, Quebec, curator.

Notarial Minutes Transferred.

Minutes of late Antoine Joseph Lacourcière, N.P., St. Stanislas de la rivière des Envies, transferred to T. Lacourcière, N.P., of the same place, Sept. 26.

Quebec Official Gazette, Oct. 5.

Judicial Abandonments.

Henry F. Bédard, trader, Hull, Sept. 27.

Morency & Co., hardware merchants, Quebec, Sept. 30.

Alexis Paquet, trader, St. Ulrich de la Rivière Blanche, Sept. 27.

Curators Appointed.

Re Joseph Fiset, St. Thomas de Montmagny.—Kent & Turcotte, Montreal, joint curator, Sept. 27.

Re Sarah E. Laverty.—C. Desmarteau, Montreal, curator, Sept. 27.

Re Wm. O'Hara, gardener, Montreal.—S. C. Fatt, Montreal, curator, Oct. 2.

Re Napoléon Paré.—C. Lafleur, Montreal, curator, Sept. 23.