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THE LOWER CANADA REPORTS. Edited by Messrs. Labeaere & Augers, and published by Augustin Caté, Quebec.

We have received No. 9 of Vol. IX. of the above. It contains reports of four very interesting decisions of the Lower Canada Courts—two of mercantile importance, one of local interest in Montreal, and the fourth on the construction of particular words creating a legacy. Upper Canadian lawyers, who, in quest of information, avail themselves even of reports of the United States courts, will find that a perusal of the Lower Canada Reports will repay the cost of subscription.

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The October number of this useful publication is received. It contains seven cases, of which one, viz., *Charlotte v. Calcau*, is of considerable interest, bearing as it does on the subject of Slavery in Canada; and another—*Huston v. The Grand Trunk Railway Company*—is a leading case in Lower Canada on the law of carriers. The former case is elsewhere copied at length.

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THE GREAT REPUBLIC MONTHLY, for October, 1859. Oaksmith & Co., 112 & 114 William street, New York.

This large and well conducted Magazine does not lose in interest as it progresses in years. Its conception was of the most extensive description, and its execution equals its conception. The number before us is the fourth of the second volume, and is fully equal to any number that has yet appeared. So far as we can understand the articles which from time to time appear, their aim seems to be less to instruct than to amuse and delight. Productions of a high order, in prose and poetry, are contained in its pages; and while there are some things of which we do not quite approve, there are many which we greatly admire. The October number opens with a poem called "Sir Agilthorn," having no less than seven well executed illustrations. Then follows a short biography, with four illustrations, of John Bunyan, author of the Pilgrim's Progress. A short paper on Clairvoyance and Imagination, by Prof. Gregory, of Edinburgh, is also to be found in this number, together with other contributions in poetry and prose, of which we have not space even to give the names.

THE WEEKLY LAW GAZETTE. Edited by R. B. & W. W. Warden, Cincinnati.

We have to thank the publishers for a great many numbers of the above publication, and shall be glad to exchange regularly with it.

One of the Editors was at one time President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in Cincinnati, and recently a member of the Supreme Court of Ohio. His views on the Elective Judiciary coincide with our own. Under the heading, "A Judgship gone a-begging," he deploras the low state to which judicial excellence in the United States is reduced. Speaking of a judgship of the Court of Appeal in New York, he says that "nobody who is very worthy of honors considers it any honor at all to have it conferred upon him; and the mass of the citizens, so far from looking after its disposition with the most anxious attention, leave it to a class of the community notoriously the most unscrupulous, knavish, and time-serving of any." Again, he says, "It is not in human nature to relinquish a first-rate professional practice, for a berth from which the occupant, without any fault of his own, every two years runs the risk of being kicked out, and in which the more conscientiously he discharges his duty the more likely he is to offend the most influential portion of his employers."

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