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#### DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER.

1. Sat Law Society Convocation meets	1.	Sat.	Law	Society	Convocation	meets.	
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- 2. SUN .. 14th Sunday after Trinity.
- 4. Tues. Napoleon III. deposed, 1870.
- 5. Wed .. Lord Metcalfe, Gov.-General; died, 1846.
- Fri....Sir George Simpson, H. B. Co., died 1860<sup>•</sup> Law Society Convocation meets.
- 8. Sat. ... Trinity term ends.
- 9. SUN. . 15th Sunday after Trinity.
- 11. Tues. General Sessions and County Court sittings for York.
- 12. Wed .. Frontenac, Governor of Canada.
- Thur. Quebec taken by British under General Wolfe, 1759.
- 14. Fri. ... Jacques Cartier arrived at Quebec, 1535.
- 16. SUN. 16th Sunday after Trinity. Atlantic cable opened, 1858.
- 17. Mon ... First Upper Canada Parliament met at Niagara, 1792.
- 19. Wed .. Lord Sydenham, Gov.-General, died, 1841.
- 23. SUN. . 17th Sunday after Trinity.
- 24. Mon ...Guy Carleton, Lieut.-Governor and Communder in-Chief, 1766.
- 30. SUN. 13th Sunday after Trinity. Sir I. Brock, Pres., 1811.

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QUESTIONS very often arise beforespecial examiners as to the powers they possess of excluding persons who wish to be present at the examinations. In *In re Western of Canada Oil Lands, &c. Company, 25 W. R. 787, the Master of* the Rolls held that the examiner's office is simply a private room, and that he has no discretion to admit any persons other than the parties, their solicitors, counsel, and agents.

WE commend the action of the Court of Chancery in extending vacation to the end of August. This gives a twomonths pause during the summer when fagged brains and bodies can rest and re-It might be well, however, to cruit. change the time so that vacation would generally include the hot weather, say from the middle of July till the middle of September. This would somewhat. disarrange the fall circuits, but with the present conveniences for travel, there is no good reason why some of this business should not be attended to during the winter months.

## A FEW MORE WORDS ON DOWER.

Our correspendent, E. D. A., in his excellent letter published in our last numher is quite correct in his reading of *Acre* v. *Livingstone*. That case is not so much of consequence upon the question of the interest of the widow before assignment of dower, as upon the legal operation and effect of a "quit-claim" deed. Our position in the article referred to was that the widow had no legal estate before assign-