

Agent—I have been allowed to appear at other courts, and I have been nine years in the service of the company. I have the collector here, who can prove the case.

His Honor—You are not in a position to call him. It has been held on a former occasion that an incorporated company has no *status* in a court of a law, except when it appears by an attorney. I must hold the objection to be fatal if pressed.

The defendant's attorney persisted in his objection, and asked for costs. The agent pleaded hard that costs should not be allowed, as he did not know that an attorney was necessary. But the judge thought the company must have known it very well, and accordingly nonsuited the plaintiff with costs.

OUR APPEAL.

We are glad to say that the county judges, with one exception, have most kindly responded to our appeal for support.

The exception is that of a judge whose name out of charity we repress, but the only judge in the Province, we venture to say, that could indite such an epistle as the following:

"Judge ——— has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the letter of the Editors of the *Upper Canada Law Journal* of date of Feb'y 1st instant.

"Judge ——— most respectfully begs to inform the Editors that he does not *understanding* touting for newspapers, and suggests that some better qualified person should be employed.

"———, Feb'y 4, 1865."

The *learned* Judge greatly misunderstands us if he supposes that by sending him the circular we intended him to infer that he understands "touting for newspapers" any better than he understands law or English grammar. We hoped in exchange for the law that he so greatly needs, to receive, at least, the politeness of a gentleman and the support which his position as a Judge is *supposed* to give him. It is quite possible that he has not the influence we naturally imagined he had, and his excuse, under the circumstances, we are willing to accept. We have no doubt that we can easily find a person "better qualified" than himself to explain to others the value of that which he does not appear to understand.

The writer of the note before us professes to have, we are informed, a sovereign contempt for "American jurists," and has no favorable opinion of our own, for he finds that the cases in our Superior Courts "rather embarrass him than otherwise!" He is therefore con-

sistent enough in declining to interest himself for a publication intended to circulate a knowledge of those very decisions.

THE BURLEY CASE.

We give in the *Law Journal* for this month a very full and carefully prepared report of this important case as finally decided in Chambers before the Chief Justice of Upper Canada, assisted by the Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, Mr. Justice Hagarty, and Mr. Justice J. Wilson. It is one of the most important cases ever decided in Canada. We propose in our next issue of the *Law Journal* to make some remarks on this case and the law of Extradition generally.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS—DISQUALIFICATION OF CANDIDATE.

Judgment was given on 7th February inst., in Chambers, by Mr. Justice Hagarty, on an application to unseat Mr. Beard, who was elected at the last municipal elections as one of the councilmen for the City of Toronto.

It appeared that at the time of the election the firm of which Mr. Beard is a member had an unsettled claim against the city for goods delivered. The learned judge ordered a new election, even though it was shewn that the account had been closed before Mr. Beard took his seat at the council board.

SUGGESTING SUBJECTS OF INTEREST.

We shall at all times be glad to receive suggestions from our readers as to subjects for examination. Those actually engaged in a calling must know best what would be most likely to interest and be of use to persons in their particular office or business; and it is by suggestions from such that we shall be better able to add to the usefulness of the publication.

SELECTIONS.

ENGLISH JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

An English Justice of the Peace is surely the most amazing person in the world, unless it be that into which he often develops once in his life—namely, an English High Sheriff. It is no wonder that both offices are utterly puzzling even to the most intelligent foreigners, as there is certainly nothing like either of them in any other part of the world. First