

County, for which he now sits, and was returned at the head of the poll. He has already taken a prominent place in Parliament and is consulted by the leaders of his party in all important matters coming up for consideration. Notwithstanding his devotion to his professional and Parliamentary work, Mr. Borden finds time for the cultivation of his literary tastes, and is well read in the best English literature. This is noticeable in all his arguments and speeches, for there is a style and finish to his work that shews that all his reading is not confined to the law reports. In September, 1889, he married Laura, youngest daughter of the late T. H. Bond, Esq., of Halifax.

The vacancy caused by the death of Lord Justice Chitty has been filled by the elevation of Mr. Justice Romer to the Court of Appeal. Mr. H. H. Cozens-Hardy, Q.C., succeeds Mr. Justice Romer as the Judge of the High Court. These appointments have been received with much favor by the profession in England. Mr. Justice Romer is said to be one of the quickest judicial workers in England, and Mr. Cozens-Hardy was the leader of the Chancery Bar at the time of his elevation to the Bench. His appointment was due solely to his professional standing, as he has been a consistent opponent of the present Conservative Government, and congratulations are expressed that a leader of the Bar should patriotically have accepted his present position when he might reasonably have expected some day to go at one step, like Lord Davey and Sir John Rigby, to the Court of Appeal.

INSOLVENCY LEGISLATION.

If there is one thing more than another which tends to create dissatisfaction amongst the mercantile community with the machinery of the law, it is the inability of the Courts to cope with the all-too-prevalent methods employed by dishonest traders to evade payment of their debts. The basis of credit as applied to the ordinary transactions between the manufacturer and the wholesaler, and between the wholesaler and the retailer, upon which goods are supplied in the usual course of trade, is essentially different from that which underlies non-commercial transactions ;