

he expressed his high appreciation of the honour which had been done him, and of his gratification in feeling that he was leaving the Bench after his thirty-one years' service, not in the "cold silence of the most critical profession in the world," but with such a cordial expression of their approval. It was a moment of almost painful interest, when the judge, closing his brief address with a characteristic reference to his desire not to trespass unduly upon the time which belonged to the country, passed behind the chairs of his brethren on the Bench, and after receiving a kindly greeting from that other well-trying judicial veteran, the Chancellor, who was present as *amicus curiæ*, retired for the last time from the place that knew him so well.

Mr. Justice Garrow then moved to the vacant chair at the right hand of the Chief Justice, and Mr. Justice Magee was sworn in as "justice of appeal in the room and stead" of the retiring judge. Some case was then called, and the wheels of justice began again to revolve.

The memory of the scene, however, will linger long with those who were present, and it will not be out of place to offer a few reflections on the causes which have led to such a remarkable expression of the feeling of the Bar towards Mr. Justice Osler, a feeling, it should be added, which is shared by the public at large, and by the press which, no doubt, was a faithful mirror of the views of those to whom it speaks, when it headlined its report of the proceedings of which we have given an outline as the "farewell of a great judge." The proofs of this are to be found, not alone in that great body of careful and well-considered judgments which have been penned by him during these thirty laborious years, so many of which are found in the pages of our reports, and will, no doubt, be cited as leading authorities or helpful discussions for many a year to come, but also in considerations of a more general nature, which are well summarized in two apt quotations with which Mr. Justice Garrow enriched the genial and suggestive address delivered by him at a recent meeting of the Ontario Bar Association. One was from Socrates through the medium of his great interpreter Plato, and was to the following effect: "Four things belong to