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## *CURRENT TOPICS AND CASES.*

The courts are seldom called upon to deal with a more complicated and voluminous case than that of the Labrador Company, reported in the present issue. Lord Hannen, with his usual ability, and clearness, has delivered a judgment which shows that the case has received very close attention, and it is satisfactory to find that he has discovered no reason for differing from the conclusions reached by our Court of Appeal. The case also possesses some historical interest, involving as it does a review of titles extending back more than two centuries.

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Three of the numerous holidays which have been observed by the Courts of the Province of Quebec and by Parliament, are about to disappear from the legal calendar. Hon. Mr. Angers has introduced a bill in the senate, which provides that "the Annunciation, Corpus Christi and the Festival of St. Peter and St. Paul shall not henceforth be holidays." This is in compliance with the wish of the Roman Catholic Church, and will also be enacted in the Province of Quebec.

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An elaborate criticism of the Canadian Criminal Code, by Mr. Justice Taschereau, of the Supreme Court, in the form of a letter to the Minister of Justice, appeared in our last issue. Several defects of importance are