

stay proceedings respecting the claim until the counter-claim is disposed of. C.R. 255.

(2) Where a plaintiff does not dispute the defendant's counter-claim the Court may stay proceedings upon the counter-claim until the claim is disposed of. *New.*

118. A plaintiff shall deliver his reply, if any, within 10 days after the defence or the last of the defences has been delivered. C.R. 256.

119. No pleading subsequent to reply other than a joinder of issue shall be pleaded without leave. C.R. 257.

120. As soon as either party has joined issue upon any pleading of the opposite party, or as soon as the time for delivering a reply or subsequent pleading has expired, the pleadings shall be deemed to be closed. C.R. 262.

121. Where any party makes default in delivering a statement of defence to the statement of claim or to the counter-claim within the time limited therefor, in cases where judgment cannot be signed, the opposite party may, upon proof of the default, by *praecepe* to the officer with whom the pleadings are filed, require him to note the default, and thereafter no pleading by the party in default shall be received or filed. Until default is so noted the party in default may file his pleading. C.R. 263, *amended.*

122. Either party shall be entitled to raise by his pleading any point of law, and by consent of the parties, or by leave of a judge, the same may be set down for hearing at any time before the trial, otherwise it shall be disposed of at the trial. C.R. 259.

123. Upon the determination of such point of law the Court may pronounce such judgment as may be deemed proper. C.R. 260.

124. A Judge may order any pleading to be struck out on the ground that it discloses no reasonable cause of action or answer, and in any such case, or in case of the action or defence being shown to be frivolous or vexatious, may order the action to be stayed or dismissed, or judgment to be entered accordingly. C.R. 261.

125. Where an issue is directed to be tried it shall, if the parties differ, be settled in chambers, and as soon as settled be filed in the office in which the proceedings are carried on, and thereafter the proceedings in the issue shall