

*INSOLVENT NOTICES, ETC.**Quebec Official Gazette, April 27.**Judicial Abandonments.*

Paul Bayeur, trader, Berthier, April 23.
 Polycarpe Bernard, trader, Deschambault, April 24.
 Cyprien Dessaint dit St. Pierre, and Edouard Dessaint dit St. Pierre, traders, Hélène, April 24.
 Henry Thomas Farley, Arthabaskaville, April 25.
 Paul Gardner *et al.*, traders, St. Ferdinand d'Hali-fax, April 18.
 Arsène Gaudreault, trader, Les Eboulements, April 23.
 Charles Guimont, trader, Cap St. Ignace, April 20.
 Annie Gilchrist, Aylmer.
 David Hambleton, Lachute, April 15.
 Charles William Higgins, trader, Papineauville, April 17.
 Charles Victor Roberge, St. Médard de Warwick, April 23.
 Romuald St. Jacques, St. Hyacinthe, April 23.
 Isaac D. Thurston, boot and shoe manufacturer, Montreal, April 17.
 Adélarde Noiseux, inn-keeper, Belœil, April 17.

Curators appointed.

Re Ferdinand Bégin, currier, Lévis.—C. I. Labrie, village of Lauzon, curator, April 18.
Re Cyrille Benoit, Verchères.—Bilodeau & Renaud, Montreal, joint curator, April 17.
Re Henri Dussurault, St. Narcisse.—Kent & Turcotte, Montreal, joint curator, April 17.
Re Virginie Perrault, Victoriaville.—Kent & Turcotte, Montreal, joint curator, April 24.
Re Elzéar Drolet.—F. Valentine, Three Rivers, curator, April 13.
Re C. W. Higgins, Papineauville.—J. McD. Hains, Montreal, curator, April 25.
Re Léon Lahaie, Batican.—Kent & Turcotte, Montreal, joint curator, April 24.
Re James B. Luckerhoff.—John Ryan, Three Rivers, curator, March 26.
Re D. McCormack & Co.—C. Desmarteau, Montreal, curator, April 24.
Re J. D. Thurston.—C. Desmarteau, Montreal, curator, April 24.

Dividends.

Re J. P. Dusablou, Three Rivers.—Dividend, payable May 6, F. Valentine, Three Rivers, curator.
Re Jules B. Fortin.—First and final dividend, payable May 14, C. Desmarteau, Montreal, curator.
Re Jos. B. Giguère.—First and final dividend, payable May 16, C. Desmarteau, Montreal, curator.
Re Thomas Lee.—Dividend, payable May 16, Angus McKay, Montreal, curator.
Re Sutton & Sutton.—First and final dividend, payable May 9, A. McKay and J. J. Griffith, Sherbrooke, joint curator.
Re Louis Meunier.—First and final dividend, payable May 14, C. Desmarteau, Montreal, curator.
Re Noonan, Giblin & Co.—First dividend, payable May 13, A. W. Stevenson, Montreal, curator.

Separation as to Property.

Anna Béliveau vs. Ludger Bergeron, St Grégoire le Grand, April 18.

Ursule Hébert vs. George Hervieux, St. Sauveur de Québec, April 20.

Cléopée Massé vs. Isaie Fréchette, trader, St. Hyacinthe, April 12.

Joséphine Morin vs. Michael Chenard, merchant, Fraserville, April 23.

GENERAL NOTES.

AN OMINOUS EXORDIUM.—John H. Morrison practiced law many years ago in Ohio. He had some striking peculiarities, which were in the habit of cropping out in court. He was once trying a case before Judge Patrick Henry Goode and a jury, and opened his side of the case as follows: "May it please the court, by the perjury of witnesses, the ignorance of the jury, and the connivance of the court, I expect to lose this case." "What is that you say, Mr. Morrison?" That is all I have to say on that point, and the court will feel happier if I do not repeat what I have already said. From the looks of the jury I infer that they would rather not have heard it once."—*Cincinnati Enquirer*.

A CONSULTATION.—Patient Man—"Suppose a woman makes it so hot for her husband that he can't live with her, and he leaves her, what can she do? Lawyer—"Sue him for support." Patient Man—"Suppose she has run him so heavily into debt that he can't support her, because his creditors grab every dollar as quick as he gets it, besides ruining his business with their suits? Lawyer—"If for any reason whatever he fail to pay her the amount ordered, he will be sent to jail for contempt of court." Patient Man—"Suppose she drives him out of the house with a flat-iron, and he's afraid to go back?" Lawyer—"She can arrest him for desertion? Patient Man—"Well, I don't see any thing for me to do but go hang myself." Lawyer—"It's against the law to commit suicide, and if you get caught attempting it, you'll be fined and imprisoned."—*N. Y. Weekly*.

AN UNEXPECTED ANSWER.—As funny a thing as ever occurred in a court happened in Napoleon, O., in 1839, before Judge Potter and a jury. A case was on trial, and an outsider seated himself on one of the puncheons at the far end of the panel of jurors, there being no other available seat. When the defendant's counsel arose to address the jury he scanned the face of each very closely, and naturally his gaze was directed to the farthest man from him, who didn't happen to be a juror at all. Glaring at him, he began: "Gentlemen of the jury, I want to know what this man (referring to the plaintiff in the case) has come into court for? What is his business? What right has he here? What is he seeking for? Again I repeat, gentlemen of the jury, why is he here?" The countryman imagined that the question had direct reference to himself, and when the lawyer paused to give due weight and emphasis to the question, he jumped to his feet and howled: "What am I here for, you cross-eyed cock of the walk? What am I seeking for in this here court? I'll tell you in short order, you weazen-faced old son-of-a-gun. I've been here three days a-waitin' fer my fees, and nary a red kin I git. Pay me my witness fees, sir, and I'll git out of here immediately." This unexpected oration brought down the house, and the lawyer never finished his able argument.—*Cincinnati Enquirer*.