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The *Law Journal*, as announced last month, will be continued quarterly from the 1st of January, 1868, in the same manner, and at the same rate of subscription, (\$2 per annum), as when first established. While the limits now imposed upon us will make brevity imperative, we shall, nevertheless, endeavor by rigorous condensation, to embrace everything of material interest.

RICHELIEU AND JOLIETTE DISTRICTS.

By proclamation, dated 28th December, 1867, the Court terms in these districts are fixed as follows:—District of Richelieu: two terms of Court of Queen's Bench at Sorel, beginning 1st May, and 8th November; three terms of Superior Court, each of seven days, to be held at Sorel from 13th to 19th January and May, and 3rd to 9th October; three terms of Circuit Court at Sorel, each of six days, from 7th to 12th of January and May, and from 27th September to 2nd October; three terms of five days at Village of Berthier, from 20th to 24th January and May, and from 21st to 25th September; three terms of five days at St. François du Lac, from 24th to 28th February, from 1st to 5th of June, and from 4th to 8th November.

District of Joliette: two terms of Queen's Bench at town of Joliette, beginning 5th of July and 15th November; three of the Superior Court at Joliette, each of seven days, from 16th to 22nd February and October, and from 28th June to 4th July; three terms of Circuit Court at Joliette, each of six days, from 10th to 15th February and October, and from 22nd to 27th June; three terms of Circuit Court, of five days, at the Village of L'Assomption, from the 26th to 30th January, May and October; three terms of Circuit Court, of five days, at Ste. Julienne de Rawdon, from 1st to 5th February and November, and from 6th to 11th June.

APPOINTMENT.

The Hon. JOSEPH NOËL BOSSÉ, of the city of Quebec, Member of the Senate of Canada, and one of Her Majesty's Counsel learned in the law, to be a Puisne Judge of the Superior Court in and for the Province of Quebec, taking rank and precedence next after the Hon. Samuel Cornwallis Monk, (Gazetted, January 24th, 1868).

LORD KINGSDOWN.

The name of Lord KINGSDOWN, who died on the 7th of October last, in his 75th year, is familiar to the profession here as that of one of the most assiduous members of the Court of final resort. Thomas Pemberton was born in London on the 11th of February, 1793. He read for the bar in the chambers of his uncle, Mr. Cooke, a distinguished equity lawyer. He was called to the bar in 1816, and rose rapidly into extensive practice. In 1829, he received a silk gown, and for many years stood at the head of the bar in his own Court, the Rolls. In January, 1843, the death of his aged and eccentric kinsman, Sir Robert Leigh, placed Mr. Pemberton in possession of a life interest in the Wigan estates, amounting to £17,000 a year. This income raised him to affluence; he retired from the bar, and shortly afterwards entered upon his judicial duties as a member of the Judicial Committee. These duties he performed entirely without emolument for twenty years, with unremitting diligence. In 1858, upon the formation of Lord Derby's Administration, the Great Seal was offered to him, but he refused it. It was in this year that he was raised to the Peerage. The *Times*, in an obituary notice (from which the foregoing facts are gleaned) speaks of the deceased nobleman in these terms: "Although he never filled any prominent office in the State; although he retired from the bar a quarter of a century ago, and has since devoted his great judicial talents and legal experience almost exclusively to the tribunal which does not often challenge public attention; although his whole life has