

Justice AYLWIN then charged the Jury, explaining carefully the case in regard to the offence the prisoner had to answer.—namely, attempt to commit rape, or assault. The learned Judge explained that the charge of rape had been discarded in an early part of the trial; and impressed upon the Jury, with much solicitude, that the question they had to decide was whether, taking the evidence of the prosecutrix in all its particulars—faking into consideration the position which the prisoner held and the risk to be run if, under his circumstances, he should endeavour to violate the persons of females; whether, looking at everything, he was really guilty of an attempt to commit rape or even an assault. His Honour, in conclusion, remarked on the singular conduct of the husband of the female, and observed that it was extraordinary he sat down to write a letter on the night of Wednesday, waited an answer by mail on Thursday, and took no steps till Friday; having invited the Jury to this and other facts, the learned Judge concluded by advising the Jury, if they entertained a doubt to give the benefit of it to the prisoner at the bar.

The Jury retired at six o'clock, and, after an absence of about three hours and a half, brought in a verdict of "Guilty of an attempt to commit rape, with a recommendation to mercy." The decision seemed to take the Court by surprise.

Mr. Devlin—Are the jury individually agreed?

One of the jury, Yes.

Mr. Devlin—Then to-morrow morning I will make a motion in arrest of judgment.

APPOINTMENTS.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Toronto, 2nd October, 1858.

His Excellency the Governor General has been pleased to make the following appointments:

John Lirzars Lizars, Esq., Associate Coroner for the United Counties of Huron and Bruce.

David Tucker, Esq., M.D., Associate Coroner for the County of Ontario.

Thomas Reynolds, Esq., M. D., to be an Associate Member of the Medical Board for Upper Canada.

Edward Von Cortland, Joseph Garvey and William Milliken, Esquires, Physicians and Surgeons, to be a Board of Examiners of Applicants for Militia Pensions for the County of Carleton.

License to John R. Flock, of Oakville, Esq., M. D., to enable him to practice Physic, Surgery and Midwifery in Upper Canada.

BUREAU OF AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS,

His Excellency the Governor General has been pleased to grant Letters Patent of Inventions, for a period of *fourteen years*, from the date thereof, for the following persons, viz. :—

John Addison, of the City of Hamilton, County of Wentworth, Machinist, to "A Wooden Spring Mattress for Beds."—Dated 13th July, 1858.

Alfred Marsh, of the Township of Windsor, County of Essex, Gas Engineer, for "An Improved Gas Generator."—Dated 26th July, 1858.

Hardy Gregory, Lithographer, and Robert W. S. Dunstan, Merchant, both of the City of Hamilton, County of Wentworth, for "A Cooling, Warming, Dust-Preventing, and Air-Distributing Ventilator."—Dated 26th July, 1858.

Joseph Wra, of the City of Montreal, Undertaker, for "A New Method of Constructing Coffins to Prevent Infection."—Dated 21st August, 1858.