

*Curators appointed.*

Re L. J. G. Archambault, grocer, Montreal.—T. Gauthier, Montreal, curator, Oct. 13.

Re Bouchard & Breton, dry goods merchants, St. Roch de Quebec.—N. Matte, Quebec, curator, Oct. 13.

Re Benjamin Boudreault, trader, L'Anse St. Jean.—H. A. Bedard, Quebec, curator, Oct. 12.

Re Theodore Charpentier (Charpentier & Porcheron)—Kent & Turcotte, Montreal, joint curator, Oct. 15.

Re François Xavier Desrochers, jeweller, parish of St. Jean des Chaillons.—A. Gaumond, parish of St. Jean des Chaillons, provisional guardian, Oct. 8.

Re L. Drouin & frère, Quebec.—D. Arcand, Quebec, curator, Oct. 13.

Re G. R. Fabre & fils.—J. M. Marcotte, Montreal, curator, Oct. 14.

Re Elie Lachance, trader, St. Praxède de Beauce.—H. A. Bedard, Quebec, curator, Oct. 14.

Re Jean Létourneux.—J. M. Marcotte, Montreal, curator, Oct. 10.

Re John Shaver.—C. Desmarteau, Montreal, curator, Oct. 14.

Re David Williamson, Grenville.—J. N. Fulton, Montreal, curator, Oct. 14.

*Dividends:*

Re Ephrem Cinq-Mars, Montreal.—First dividend, payable Nov. 4, D. Seath, Montreal, curator.

Re J. R. E. D'Anjou, Rimouski.—First and final dividend, payable Oct. 26.—H. A. Bedard, Quebec, curator.

Re Lyman H. Derick, Noyan.—First and final dividend, payable Nov. 11, J. McD. Hains, Montreal, curator.

Re Louis Giroux.—First and final dividend, payable Oct. 27, C. Desmarteau, Montreal, curator.

Re J. B. Hutchins & Co., Montreal.—First and final dividend, payable Oct. 22, Joseph R. Fair, Montreal, curator.

Re Sorel Boot & Shoe Co., Sorel.—First dividend, payable Oct. 30, A. A. Taillon and A. Turcotte, Sorel, joint liquidators.

*Separation as to property.*

Adéline Savigny vs. Antoine Lemieux, baker, Thetford mines, Oct. 12.

*Court Terms altered.*

*District of Joliette.*—Court of Queen's Bench, criminal term, to be held 15th June and 15th December. Superior Court, to be held on first Monday and the four following days of January, February, March, April, May, June, September, October, November and December. Circuit Court for District of Joliette to be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of the week following the holding of the Superior Court. Circuit Court for county of L'Assomption to be held in the town of L'Assomption, 1st and 2nd March, June, September and November, and 27th and 28th December. Circuit Court for county of Montcalm to be held at village of Ste. Julienne, 3rd and 4th March, June, September and December.

*GENERAL NOTES.*

**CAT AND DOG.**—The following is the headnote in a Scotch case:—"The defender seeing a cat running past in a public street, called to a dog beside him to 'seize

it.' The dog accordingly gave chase to catch the cat, and in so doing knocked down and injured a child. Held, that the defender, in setting a dog to chase a cat through the street, acted negligently and without due care for passers-by, and was liable in damages."

**INSURANCE OF MANUSCRIPTS.**—A warning has been issued by the incorporated Society of Authors in England that a quire stock of books, if it should be destroyed by fire either at a printer's or a publisher's, is, in the great majority of cases, practically lost to the author if he should not have sold it out and out. In hardly any agreement, as pointed out, is provision made for insurance of this stock, and without insurance or negligence on the part of either publisher and printer the author must bear the whole loss of fire. Manuscript, it was alleged, could not be insured at all, no fire office being willing to undertake the risk. This allegation does not seem, however, quite correct, as an author states that he insured a manuscript in a certain company, paying 2s. 6d. per cent. on the value, and this insurance covered the risk at the author's own house, at the publisher's, and at the printer's. An Authors' Manuscript and Literary Insurance Company might prove a useful boon to authors.—*Law Journal.*

**SINGULAR ACTION AGAINST AN M. P.**—An extraordinary case was heard by Judge Bayley in the Westminster County Court on Aug. 13, in which the plaintiff, a Mr. Travers, of 6 Sidmouth Street, St. Pancras, which is within the parliamentary division of South St. Pancras, sued Sir Julian Goldsmid, M. P., for damages for refusing to present a petition to the House of Commons. Sir Julian Goldsmid was represented by his private secretary.—The plaintiff, in opening his case, said he had searched, but without success, to find a case like the present, which, he submitted, was a novel one. He then referred to Lord Farnborough's book upon House of Commons practice and Smith's Leading Cases. He had a grievance, and the only way he could bring the matter forward was by petition to the House of Commons, and on June 19 he sent a petition to Sir Julian Goldsmid, which was returned to him by one of the clerks of the House, stating that, as the petition reflected upon the character of a judge, it could not be received. He submitted that Sir Julian Goldsmid should have followed the matter up and not been put off by a clerk like that. A few days after that he sent Sir Julian Goldsmid another petition, which he returned and refused to present. The law did not allow any action against a judge, and the only remedy was that which Parliament could take. The second petition had the last paragraph struck out.—His Honor: It is equally objectionable.—The plaintiff: It is the duty of a member of Parliament to bring the matter forward if a petition fails. Continuing, he said he brought an action against Lord Esher for slander in the course of a case, and that was ordered to be struck out, as no judge could be sued. How could he question the conduct of a judge when the only course open to him was by petitioning Parliament, and that course was denied him on the ground that he was assailing the conduct of the judge?—After some further discussion, judgment was given for the defendant.—*Law Journal.*