

Supreme Court or Privy Council. While this lightens the labor it will hardly add to the *prestige* of our highest provincial court.

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That a conviction was obtained against Haynes for arson is a cause for satisfaction. Seldom has a more amazing tale been unfolded in a court of justice than the deliberate plot, planned with such infamy and carried out with so much boldness, to destroy a building in the business quarter of the city. A sentence of ten years' imprisonment against Haynes can hardly be considered severe when the danger to life from large fires and the numerous accidents which happen to firemen thereat are taken into account. It is to be regretted that only one should be punished where four were guilty, but the difficulties in the way of a successful prosecution for arson are serious.

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Mr. Justice Loranger has obtained leave of absence, and proposes to pass the winter in the south of France. The learned judge for twelve or thirteen years has attended to his duties with the greatest assiduity, and this is the first time that he has applied for leave of absence. The bar will be glad that he should have a period of rest, though they regret that the cause of his having to seek it should be impaired health, and they will hope that the respite from labor will enable the learned judge, on his return to this country, to resume the duties of office with restored energy.

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SUPREME COURT OF CANADA.

OTTAWA, 26 June, 1895.

BELANGER v. BELANGER.

Quebec.]

*Contract—Proprietor of newspaper—Engagement of editor—Dismissal—Breach of contract.*

A. B. and C. B., who had published a newspaper as partners or joint owners, entered into a new agreement by which A. B.