

Court of Probate.

Judge, (ex officio,)—THE GOVERNOR GENERAL.

Official Principal,—SECKER BROUGH, Esq., Toronto.

Registrar,—CHARLES FITZGIBBON, Esq., Toronto.

Surrogate Court.

(UNITED COUNTIES OF YORK AND PEEL.)

Judge,—SAMUEL BEALEY HARRISON, Esq., Toronto.

Registrar,—WILLIAM J. FITZGERALD, Esq., Toronto.

(*For County Surrogates, see the different Counties.*)

The Court of Probate, and the several Surrogate Courts exercise the powers and functions which the Ecclesiastical Courts exercise in England, relating to the Probate of Wills, and the administration of the estates of Intestates. Persons dying and leaving property in more than one county, those interested must prove the Will, &c., in the Court of Probate which is held at Toronto, and is open throughout the year for the granting of Probates and committing Letters of Administration. It has four terms in every year, commencing on the first Monday in January, last Monday in March, first Monday in June, and last Monday in September.

The Surrogate Courts are held in every county, on the same days as the Probate Court. Wills can be proved, and letters of Administration granted, any day, at the office of the County Surrogate.

County Courts.

THESE COURTS are presided over by resident Judges in each County, being Barristers of at least five years' standing. They have original jurisdiction, under 19th and 20th Victoria, chap. 90, sec. 20, in "All personal Actions where the Debt or Damages claimed is "not more than £50, and in all Causes or Suits relating to Debt, "Covenant, or Contract when the amount is liquidated, or ascertained by the act of the parties, or the signature of the Defendant, "to £100;" and in cases of Tort to Personal Chattels to £30, with