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We learn from one of our exchanges that the Superintendent of the New York City Police has taken away the clubs used by the force on the ground that a great deal of unnecessary and cruel clubbing has been done in controlling peaceful crowds, where those in front received blows when pressed forward by persons in the rear. A baton has been substituted, which, we presume, is something similar to the weapon used by our policemen. The club may be an unnecessarily Severe weapon, but it is manifestly necessary for a policeman to have some effective weapon, so that he may not be reduced to the use of his pistol. An unhappy illustration of this occurred here in the case of Police Constable Campbell, who, in an effort to save his life, took that of his prisoner by using a pistol, his baton having been wrenched from him by his assailants. Speaking of which casc, though one must deplore the unhappy result, no blame whatever can be att, ibutabje to the constable, who had either to use his pistol or lie on the ground and have his brains knocked out. As our contemporary remarks, in dealing with the vicious and turbulent, vigorous measures are sometimes necessary, and the club or baton is a more merciful weapon than the pistol.

A Star, presumably of the first magnitude, in one of our city churches -a pastor who, by the way, was ordained to "preach the Gospel to every creature" has been taking a holiday from his proper sphere of work by trying, on a recent Sunday, to find out "why lawyers are poor church-goers." We are not "ware that these "naughty" people are either better or worse than their neighbours in this respect. Our reverend critic, however, seems to know more about us than we do ourselves, and, therefore, may be correct. But, if such be the case, the answer to the question would not be very hard to find if all the Ministers of the Gospel are like the one who asks the question. Lawyers, with all their faults, are generally logical, and, by reason of their training, inclined to observe the "eternal fitness of things," and would not, therefore, if disposed to 80 to a "place of worship," select a meeting where the object of the orator is apparently to make his audience laugh by cracking stale jokes about lawsers. We like these jokes ourselves when reasonably fresh, and give our readers all We come across; but when we feel inclined for a hearty laugh, we naturally go to a comic opera, a circus, or a nigger minstrel show on a week day.

The newspaper report gives the following tit-bit out of the sermon: "A lady had tried about a dozen town lawyers to take up a case for her involving some $\$ 100,000$, but had been unable to find an honest man among them to whom she could trust her affairs. She brought her papers to me, and asked me to find an
honest lawyer. I took them, and am trying to find one. (Sensation.)" This seems to have "brought down the house." But, after all, there should have been no sensation; for, when one comes to think about it, how could even this very remarkable person find an honest lawyer when, according to his own statement, there are none to find? It is really very sad about this dear lady and her little claim. The sum, however, involved is only $\$ 100,000$, and she doubtless put the matter into good hands when she confided her difficulty to her pastor. And so it is all right now, and we all feel quite satisfied and happy about it. If, however, resort must be had to the law, it may be necessary for the pastor to go outside the circle of his own legal friends for what he wants; for it is also reported that he understands from numbers of them (meaning, we presume, these legal friends) "that you cannot be a lawyer and an honest man." Of course, the reverend gentleman would not exaggerate, and his veracity is above suspicion. We can, therefore, only deplore that, so far as his legal friends are concerned, he has "fallen among thieves"; though we think it just a little unkind to advertise them after this fashion. If, however, he is right in his estimate of them, there is great reason for the manner in which he exhorts them to repentance. This exhortation (in which we entirely concur) was doubtless delivered with great dramatic force, and in tones of righteous indignation. It reads thus: "If you cannot be honest and succeed in your profession, get out of it !"

We would also conclude with a similar exhortation to those pastors to whom it may apply: "If you cannot fill your church without slandering your neighbours, or without turning a house of God into a sort of dime theatre, get out of it!"

## CRIMINAL fURISDICTION OF THE CHANCERY DIVISION.

The question whether or not the Divisional Court of the Chancery Division is entitled to exercise a general criminal jurisdiction was again under discussion in the recent case of The Queen v. Davis. The defendant in that case applied to Ferguson, J., for a certiovari to bring up a conviction, and asked that the writ might be made returnable in the Divisional Court of the Chancery Division; but acting on the views expressed by him in The Queen v. Birchall, ig O.R. 696 , the learned judge refused that part of the application, and from his decision on that point the defendant appealed to the Divisional Court of the Chancery Division. The appeal was heard in June last before the Chancellor, and Robertson and Meredith, JJ., and judgment was given on the ist December instant. Robertson, J., agreed with the view expressed by Ferguson, J., in The Queen v. Birchall, supra, and Meredith, J., agreed with the Chancellor, who retained his former opinion. The result of the matter was that although the court, as then constituted, was in favour of entertaining jurisdiction, yet, as there was an equal division of opinion between the four judges of the Chancery Division, the court dismissed the appeal, inasmuch as the defendant would not be deprived of any remedy or right, but could still prosecute his application under the certiorari before the Divisional Court in which it had been made returnable.

We referred to this question of the criminal jurisdiction of the Chancery

Division as long ago as May, r887 (see ante vol. xxiii., p. I8I), and we there referred to the doubt existing whether the legislation which had then taken place had been effectual to vest the general criminal jurisdiction of the former courts of Common Law in the Chancery Division. The reasons which we then advanced are, it is trne, not identical with those by which Ferguson and Robertson, JJ., have arrived at their conclusion; but there is this agreement, viz., that it is doubtful whether the proper and necessary legislation for vesting in the Chancery Division the like general criminal jurisdiction which was vested in the former courts of common law has yet taken place. The difficulty, no doubt, arises to some extent from the fact of the divided jurisdiction of the legislatures of the Dominion and the Province in reference to the matters in question ; for while the Province may constitute the court of criminal jurisdiction, yet in the Dominion is vested the regulation of procedure in criminal matters. The learned Chancellor thought that the recognition of the High Court of Justice as a court of criminal jurisdiction by the R.S.C., c. 174, s. 270, coupled with the Judicature Act, sufficiently conferred a criminal jurisdiction on the High Court and all its Divisional Courts (see The Queen v. Birchall, ig O.R. 696, at p. 700 ) ; but when that section comes to be examined critically, it seems rather to leave things as they were before the Judicature Act. It reads: "The practice and procedure in all criminal cases and matters whatsoever in the said High Court of Justice shall be the same as the practice and procedure in similar cases and matters before the establishment of the said High Court." But before the establishment of the said High Court, the practice and procedure was to confine all criminal cases to the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas; it cannot, therefore, be said that this section, which is the only Dominion legislation which is referred to as giving the sanction of that legislature to the Chancery Division exercising a general criminal jurisdiction, is unequivocal-indeed, it seems capable of a construction which is opposed to that view.

Under the circumstances, it is to be hoped that the law officers of the Crown, both for the Dominion and the Province, may apply themselves to the task of providing a legislative solution of the doubts which have arisen on this subject ere any further mischief arises.

## COMMENTS ON CURRENT ENGLISH DECISIONS.

The Law Reports for November comprise (I892) 2 Q.B., pp. 585-613; (I892) P., pp. 321-378; (1892) 3 Ch., pp. I-I79; and (1892) A.C. 297-497.

Railway-Action to recover fare--Penalty-Ticket used for station other than that FOR WHICH IT WAS ISSUED.
Great Northern Ky. Co. v. Winder (I892), 2 Q.B. 595, was an action against a passenger to recover a railway fare. The facts were that the plaintiffs had issued a ticket to the defendant for a trip from Leeds to Skegness for 8s., which was subject to a condition that if used for any intermediate station it would be forfeited, and the full fare charged. He alighted at Frisby, an intermediate
station, to which the ordinary fare was $9 s$. Tbis action was brought in the County Court to recover gs., or 18 . if the defendant should be held entitled to credit for the 8 s. he had paid. The judge of the County Court nonsuited the ruintiffis on the ground that the action was for a penalty" which could only be rucovered before justices; but the Divisional Court (Day and Charles, JJ.) held that the action was clearly on contract, and ordered a new trial.
 BEFORE KBTMTN:
The Quen v. Villensky ( 889 ), a Q.B. 59 , was a prosecution for receiving stolen goods knowing them to be stolen, in which a scheme to catch the receiver, though it established his moral guilt, nevertheless resulted in his escape from justice. The prosectors were a firm of carriers, and a parcel was delivered to them for carriage, and while it was in the prosecuturs' premises a servant of the prosecutors removed it to another part of the promises and placed upon it a label addressed to the prisoners by a name by which they were known, and at a house where they resided. The prosecutors' superintendent discovered this, and, after inspection of the parcel, directed it to be replaced where the thief had put it, and to be sent with a special delivery-sheet in a van, accompanied by two detectives, to the address given on the label. At that address it was received by the prisoners under circumstances clearly showing that they knew that it had been stoleti. In the indictment, the property in the parcel was had in the carriers; an offer to amend it by alleging the property to be in the consignees was declined. Upon a case stated by the chairman of the sessions, it was held by Lord Coleridge, C.J., Smith, J., Pollock, B., and Cave and Bruce, J.., that as the person in whom the property was laid had resumed possession of the stolen property before its receipt by the prisoners, it had then ceased to be stolen property, and the prisoners could, therefore, not be convicted of receiving it knowing it to be stolen.

 10, 266, 269).
In The Quten v. Waite ( r 892 ), 2 Q.B. 600, the Court for Crown Cases $\mathrm{Ke}-$ served (Lord Coleridge, C.J., Smith, J., Pollock, B., and Cave and Bruce, JJ.) unanimuusly decided that a boy under fourteen cannot be convicted of the offence of having carmal knowledge of a girl under thirteen. The new Canadian Criminal Code seems to leave it somewhat doubtful whether this decision would be law here; for though s. 7 declares that any circumstances which at common law would be a defence to any charge shall remain in frree, "except in so far as they are hereby altered or inconsistent therewith," yet s. to seems to dechare that a child over seven and under fourteen may be convicted of a crime it "he was competent to know the nature and consequences of his conduct, and to appreciate that it was wrong." And while s. 266 , which deals with the offence of rape, expressly declares that no one under fourteen can commit the offence, yet 3. 269 , which deals with the carnal knowledge of girls under fourteen, has no such limitation.

The Hornel (1892), 1,361 , was an admiratty case arising out of a cothion. The plaintiff's barge, while moored at a dock, was run into by the defendants' tug the HobHe, and sunk. The defendants contended that the plaintits were guilty of contributory negligence in not having a man on boar. the barge at the time of the collision ; but Jeme, P., and Barnes, J.s upheld the judgraent of the City of London Court in favour of the plaintiffs, on the ground that the absence of a man on the barge had nothing to do with the collision, and it would have boen impracticable to have beached the barge afterwards.

In Pe Fallet (1892), P. 377, a will, or which the whole disposing part was written on the first side of a sheet of foolscap paper, and of which the second and third sides were left blank, and the attestation clause with the signatures of the testator and witnesses were m the fourth page, and the question was whether it was daly executed. Jeune, P., P.D., held that it was.


in re Metropolitan Coal Consumers' Assochation ( 1 Sg 2 ), 3 Ch .1 , is a case of novel chatacter, and wich, as Lindley, Lel., observed, presented a good deal of diff. culty. It was rn application by Karberg, a shareholder, to de removed from the list of contributories on the ground that he had been induced to subscribe for the shares on the faith of a misrepresentation contained in a prospectus. The prospectus in question had been signed by the promoters of the company prior to its formation, and stated that the rompany was to be incorporated under The Companies Act, and an extract was given from the proposed articles of association to the effect that there vould be a council of administration of members of the company, and a list of members of the company was given containing the names of Lord Brabourne and Admiral Dayne. The former of these gentlemen had, in fact, signed a printed form expressing his willingness to become a memher of the council of administration of the intended company, and Adairal Mayne had written to the promoters promising to help the company. On the 3 ist January, three days after Kurberg's application was received, the company was registered, and on the and February the directors allotted the shares in question to Karberg. Neither Admiral Mayne nor Lord Brabourne became members of the company. The Admiral refused to take shares on the ast January, and Lord Brabourne also refused on the 16th February, and they both declined to become members of the council. On the irth of February Karberg paid the allotment, and on the abth June following he discovered that Lord Brabourne and Admiral Mayne had refused to become members, at. ' the present application then commenced. Kekewich, I., dismissed it on the ground that, even if the representation were untrue, the company was not bound by the statements in the prosw pectus of the promoters, issued before the company had acquired any legal existence. But the Court of Appeal (Lindley, Bowen, and Kay, L.JJ.) thought
that this short mode of disposing of the case was not satisfactory, and they proceeded to investigate the facts, and having come to the conclusion that the prospectus was intended to mean, and did mean, not only that Lord Brabourne and Admiral Mayne had not only expressed their willingness to become members of the council, but had so far approved of the project as to have authorized the publication of their names in the list of those who would be members of the council of the company when formed, which was contrary to the fact, they held that the company could not sever the application based on the prospectus from the prospectus, and though the company, not having itself made the representation, could not be made liable in damages, yet as regards a contract induced by such a representation it was, as regards the question of the rescission of the contract, in the same position as if it had itself made the representation without knowing it to be untrue; and that as in an action for rescission on the ground of misrepresentation it is not necessary to prove knowledge by the defendant of its untruth, the applicant was therefore entitled to succeed, and to have his allotment money refunded, with interest thereon at four per cent., not by way of damages, but on the ground that the parties were to be restored, as far as possible, to their original position.
Lunatic-Married woman-Committer, rbilit of husband of hunatic to be aprointed as-
In re Davy (18́ǵ2), 3 Ch. 38, the Court of Appeal (Lindley and Lopes, L.JJ.) affirmed the ruling of the Master in Lunacy, that the husband of a lunatic wife has no absolute right to be appointed the committee of her person, and that where the court thinks it will be more for the benefit of the lunatic to appoint some other person as such committee it has power to do so. In this case the court, in the exercise of that discretion, refused to appoint the husband.

[^0]In re Lander $\mathcal{G}$ Bagley (1892), 3 Ch. 4I, was an application under The Vendors and Purchasers Act, I874, s. 9 (R.S.O., c. II2, s. 3), arising on an agreement for the lease of a public house. One of the questions submitted to the court was whether covenants to reside on the premises and personally conduct the business, and not to assign without consent, and a proviso for entry for breach of any covenant, were "usual" covenants and stipulations in such a lease. Chitty, J., held that they were not, and that the proviso for re-entry must be confined to non-payment of rent ; the principle on which the court acts in determining what are to be deemed "usual" covenants being that, where a man has agreed to grant a term of, say, twenty-one years, the court in framing the lease will not insert provisions which would cut down that term to something less, or impose any restraint on alienation, unless there be an express stipulation to that effect. Another question was as to the date at which the term was to commence. The agreement was silent as to this, but provided that possession was to be given "within one month from this date," and the court held that the date of the commencement of the term could be collected from the agreement as a whole, and that the day on which the possession was actually given, a fact as to
which evidence was admitted, was the date from which the term was to commence. We may observe that in this case a question; was raised whether there was any valid contract, and the court declared that there was; but by R.S.O., c. $1 \mathrm{na}, \mathrm{s} .3$, it is only questions not afferting the existence on the validity of the contract which the court has any jurisdiction to determine under the Act, the intention apparently being that where disputes exist as to the validity or existence of the contract, they must be determined in the usual way by action.

Whl-Constructron-Exmate--Jont tbnancy-Tbnavey in coman-Lapse.
In re Athitson, Wilson v. Athinson ( 18 g 2 ), 3 Ch .52 , was an action for the construction of a will. The testator gave his residuary real and personal estate to trustecs in trust for his nephews, John, Thomas, and Garvin, and for their respective heirs, executors, adminisirators, and assigns. John predeceased the testator, and Garvin had died after the testator, an infant and unmarried. The problem for the court was what estate John, Thomas, and Garvin took, and whether John's share had lapsed or not. North, J., following Ex parte Tanner, 20 Beav. 374, and Doe v. Gresm, 4 M. \& W. 229, decided that the nephews were joint tenants for their lives and the lives of the survivors and survivor of them, with several remainders to them as tenants in common; that Thomas was entitled to the income of the whole for his life, and that John's share in remainder had lapsed, and devolved as on an intestacy. Under R.S.O., c. ro8, s. 20, it would seem probable that guch a bequest would, in Ontario, be construed as creaturg a tenancy in common.
 ss. 24, $\mathbf{3} 5$.
In re Trubec's Trusts ( r 8 g 2 ) , 3 Ch .55 , North, J., made a vesting order under the Trustee Act, 1850, vesting certain stock, standing in the name of a deceased person, in his executor, who had proved the will in Scotland, but not in England.
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In re Wenham, Hunt v. Wenhan (1892), 3 Ch. 59, was a summary application by an executor by way of originating summons, for the purpose of obtaining an adjudication as to whether or not the estate was hable to one of the defendants, who claimed to be a creditor. The other defendant was the residuary legatee, and claimed that the debt was barred by the Statute of Limitations, but the executors (unless so directed by the court) declined to set up the statute. North, J., held that the parties must be treated as though, under the former practice, an administration decree had been made, and that consequently the residuary legatee was entitled to insist on the statute being set up as a defence to the claim.
 CISE OF POUER.
In we Davies, Davies v. Davies (18e2), 3 Ch. 63, a testator had effected a policy of fife assurance with a societ. the rules of which provided, anong other thinga, that the assured might nominate any person to receive the sum assured, and
that if no nomination should be existing when the sum assared became due that it should be paid to the assigns, if any, of the assurer, mfar e.s the claims of the assigns should extend, in every case where such claim should have arisen under any disposition or charge made by the assurer specifically affecting sach sums, or any yirt thereof, either by express reierence, or by reference generally to sums due apon assurances, whether such disposition or charge should be made by deed, will, or other instrument. In case there should not be any nomination nor any such disposition or charge existing in respect of the sum assured when due, it was to be payable to the widow of the assurer, if any; and, if none, then to his children living at his death, in equal shares. The testator made no disposition of the policy by express reference, or by general reference to sums assured, by his will, but the will contained a general residuary bequest. North, J., held that the policy was payable to the testator's surviving chiliren according to its terms, and was unaffected by the will.
 action brought by the Attorney-General, on the relation of several tram-car manufacturers. to restrain the defendants, a company incorporated by Act of Parliament, from mamufacturing and supplying rolling stock to other companies by means of capital not authorized to be so applied, and contrary to the provisions of the Act of incorporation. On an application for discovery, North, J., refused to order defendants to make a general affidavit of documents, but restricted the plaintiffs to interrogating the defendants as to what capital they were employing.

 Reghts.
Follit v. Eddystone Granite Quarriss (1892), 3 Ch. 75 , was an action by de-benture-holders disputing the priority of a mortgage made subsequently to the debentures. By the deed securing the debentures it was, among other things, provided that the debentures should constitute a first charge on the company's assets, but that a general meeting of the debenture-holders should have power, by extraordinary general resolutions passed by a certain majority, to "sanction any modification or compromise of the rights of the debenture-holders against the company or against its property;" so as to bind all the debentureholders, whether present or not. Under this provision a meeting was held, at which a resolution was passed by the required majority sanctioning a loan to the company of $f 5,000$, and resolving that " such loan shall take priority over the existing debentures, ard shall be a first charge on the company's properties." The shareholders passed a similar resolution, and in pursuance thereof the loan was effected and a mortgage executed charging all the company's property in favour of the mortgagee, and the trustees for the debenture-holders postponad their security in favour of this mortgage. The plaintiffs claimed that the resolution of the debenture-holders was ullra vires; but Stirling, J., was of opinion that the reso-
lution sanctioning the loun and giving priority to the mortgage over the debent tures was valid, and was a "modification" of the tights of the debenturenholfers within the condition, and was binding on all the debentare-holderi, and he therefore dismissed the action, so far as the plaintiff claimed relief against the mortgagee, with costs.
 PARENTS—DOMTCLL.
In ve Grey, Grey v. Stamford (1892), 3 Ch. 88, a testator, domiciled in Eng. land, devised real estate and bequeathed personal estate to trustees upon trust for his son for life, and, after his son's death, for all his son's children in equal shares. The son had acquired a domicil in a British colony, where by law the marriage of parents legitimated children previous!y born, and he there married a lady by whom he previously had a son. The question was whether this son was entitled to take under the will. Stiding, J., decided that the term "children" in the will meant legitimate children, but that the question of who are legitimate was a question of status determinable by the law of the domicil of the parent, and therefore the son born prior to the marriage was entitled to take.

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In re Hoare, Hoare v. Owen ( 1892 ), 3 Ch. 94 , the relative rights of a mortgagee and a receiver appcinted at the instance of a creditor of the mortgagor in an administration action was discussed. In this case the mortgage in question was of certain shares in a joint stock company; and was made in 1886 . The mortgagee took no steps io have himself registered as owner of the shares until 1892. The mortgagor, however, died in 1889 , having paid interest on the mortgage debt down to April, 1888 . In 1889 a creditor's action for the administration of the mortgagor's estate was instituted, and a receiver appointed, who received from the company certain debentures in payment of arrears of dividends due on the mortgaged shares. In I 922 the mortgagee volued his security and proved for the balance of his debt, and was afterwards registered as transferee of the shares, and he now claimed that the debentures handed to the receiver should be delivered to him. But Stirling, J, was of opinion that the debentures were not in custodid legis for his benefit, but were assets in the hands of the receiver for administration, who for this purpose was in the same position as an executor. In this respect a receiver differs from a sequestrator.
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In Grifith v. Hughes (1892), 3 Ch. 105, a question arose as to the proper con. struction of the Truste Act, 1888, from which the Ontario Act. 54 Vict., c. 19, s. 13, is copied. That section provides that where a trustee commits a breach of trust "at the instigation, or request, or with the consent in writing of a benefiehry" the catet may make an onder impounding the benefolal interest of the
beneficiary in the trust for the indemnity of the trustee; and the question in this case was whether a "verbal request" was sufficient to entitle the trustee com. mitting the breach of trust to the benefit of the statute, and the court (Kekewich, J.) held that it was. In this case a trustee for a married woman; a tenant for life restrained from anticipation, advanced a part of the capital to her upon her rerbal request and statement that the money was needed to prevent her home from being sold up, and an order was made authoriging the trustee to make good the sum so advanced out of the income payable to the married woman. In Ricketts v. Ricketts, 64 L.T.N.S. 653, Romer, J., had refused to give a trustee the benefit of the Act because he had knowingly committed what he knew to be a breach of trust; but Kekewich, J., without disputing the correctness of that decision, considers that where both the beneficiary and the trustee know that what is done is a breach of trust, the trustee is entitled to the indemnity.
 c. 66), 5. 25, 5-s. 4-(ONT, JUb. Act, s. 53, 5-s. 3).

In Snow v. Biycott ( 1892 ), 3 Ch. 110 , a lady entitled to an equitable estate for life, being of advanced age, and desirous of relinquishing the management of the lands, conveyed her estate to the person entitled as tenant for life on her death, to hold to him during all the remainder of her life, to the use that she might henceforth during the rest of her life receive $£ 400$ per annum, to be issuing out of the rents and profits, and subject thereto to the use of the second tenant for life, his heirs and assigns, during the remainder of her life. The grantee having died in the grantor's lifetime, the quastion was raised whether there had been a merger of the life estate of the grantor in that of the grantee. Kekewich, J., held that there had not, as there was no intention that any such merger should talie place, and that the Judicature Act, s. 25, s-s. 4 (Ont. Jud. Act, s. 53, s-s. 3) applied.

New trustees, apbontment of, by cotert-subsisting power to appoint new trustegs-jurfs-
 -Conveyancing and Law of Property Act, 188i, s. 31 (R.S.O., c. 110, 2. 3).
In re Higginbothom ( 1892 ), 3 Ch . I32, Kekewich, J., decided that where there is a surviving trustee entitled and desirous of executing a power to appoint new trustees under the Conveyancing and Law of Property Act, 188r, s. 3 (R.S.O., c. 110 , s. 3), the court has no jurisdiction under the Trustee Acts, 1850 and I852, to make the appointment, even though a majority of the beneficiaries desire it, and the existing trustee has himself no beneficial interest.

Light-Injunction-Implied grant of facht.
Corbett v, $J, \quad(1892), 3 \mathrm{Ch}, 137$, was an action for an injunction to restrain the defendant from building 90 as to interfere with the access of light to the plaintiffs' building. The plaintiffs were lessors of a house in the city of London, and at the date of the lease the lessors were owners in fee of an adjacent house and land which they subsequently conveyed to the defendant. The defendant proposed to erect on his land a house thirteen feet higher than the
existing house. Part of the plaintiffs' premises were occupied by wool brokers, who used one of the rooms for sorting and valuing samples of wool; for whieh a strong light was required, and it appeared that if the defendant erected a house of the proposed elevation two of the windows in the plaintiffs' premises would be so darkened that these processes could not be carried on on the ground floor so advantageously as formerly, but there would be still sufficient light for all ordinary purposes. Under these circumstances, Kekewich, J., held that the plaintiffs were not entitied to an injunction, and that the implied, grant of light by the defendant's predecessor in title could not be construed to extend to anything more than the access of light for ordinary business purposes, as no intention could be imputed to the parties to the plaintiffs' lease that the demised premises were to be used for any purpose requiring an extraordinary amount of light.
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Fverelt v. Reminglon (1892), 3 Ch. 148, was an action brought to enforce a covenant against building. The facts of the case were as follows: One Durrant, being the owner of an estate, in 1874 began to sell it off in lots. Purchasers or lessees were shown a form of agreement whereby they were required to enter into a covenant not to build without the consent of Durrant, "his heirs or assigns." In 1874 Durrant entered into an agreement to lease to the same person two plots, Blackacre and Whiteacre, on each of which a house was to be built, and the lessee was to have the option to purchase the fee. The agreement provided that the lease and subsequent conveyance were to contain a covenant against further building without the consent aforesaid. The fee simple was conveyed to an assignee of the lease of Blackacre in 1879; and the plaintiff became the owner of it in 1883 . The fee of Whiteacre was conveyed to defendant as assignee of the lease of that lot in 1876 , and the conveyance contained the covenant against further building without the concurrence of Durrant, "his heirs or assigns." In 1890 Durrant having died still entitled to a large part of the estate, the defendent, with the consent in writing of his successors in title of such part of the estate as had not been sold, erected further buildings on his land, which the plaintif claimed to be a breach of the covenant, and for the removal of which he claimed a mandatory injunction. Romer, J., was of opinion that the plaintiff was not entitled to enforce the covenant; but without deciding that point he held that, even if he were, there had been no breach of the covenant; that the word "assigns" did not extend to every transferee of any part of the estate, but was confined to the owners for the time being of such part of the original estate, in its popular and broad sense, as remained unsold, and did not extend to every lessee or purchaser of a small part; the learned judge's conclusion being based largely upon considerations of the great inconvenience which would result were a different construction given to the covenant. In such a ciste, even supposing the plaintiff were within the term "assign," yet at most he was only a partial assignee, and, query, as such, could he enforee the
covenant without joining all others interested as assignees? If he cond sue alone, every other assignee could do so, and the covenant would be split into as many covenants as there happened to be assignees?
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Mansell v. British Linen Co. Bank (189a), 3 Ch. r59, was an action brought by the plaintiff claiming to be entitled to certain shares, add in which un interloatory injunction was granted on the usual undertaking as to damages, restraining the shareholder and his mortgagees from selling the shares powdente lite. Before the trid, the mortgagees applied to have the shares sold, and the proceeds paid into court; but this application was successfully opposed by the plaintiff and the mortgagor. At the trial the action was dismissed. A question then arose as to the proper measure of the damages payable by the plaintiff under his undertaking. Romer, J., held that in ascertaming the damages the measure was not the difference between the peice of the shares when the action was dismissed and the highest market price they had reached pondente lite; br that all the facts must be considered, including the fiuctuations of the market duriug the continuance of the injunction; and that the difference between the market price when the injunction was granted and the price when the application for sale was made was the proper measure of damages.

## Notes and Selections.

Juries in India. - The Indion furist says things are not so bad thore as in America in reference to trial by jury; though they are apparentiy bad enough. The following illustration is given: A man was tried at Benares for a brutai outrago on a girl aged eight years. Four out of the ive jurymen returned a verdict of not guilty, which the judge refused to accept, and referred the case to the High Court, which promptly set it aside and comvicted the prisoner, and sentenced him to rigorous imprisonment for seven years. We do not see that their juries are any improvement upon ours; but the law which enables them so promptly to remedy such a denial of justice on their part most certainly is.

The Right of Asylum.-Mr. John Bassett Moore, Professor of International Law, Columbia College, New York, contributes to the Political Soionot Quarlenly several interesting papers on "Asylum" in legations, and consulates, and in vessels, treating of the right of asylum; early diplomatic privileges and their decadence; survivals of asylum in Europe; asylum in America; diplomatic a sylum in international law; and asylum in vessels. The subject may not be one of much interest to the general practitioner; but the lawyer who desires to befully equipped, and has time for some very interesting reading, tending to enlarge the horizon of his mind, could not do better than read this collection of Mr. Moors's very viluable essays.

Liability of Cify rok Negligent Fireman.-The recent case of Gillappe v. Lineolin, 52 N.W. Rep: 811, decided by the Sugrente Court of Nebraska, should be read in comiection with that of Doage v. Granger (R.I.), 35 Cent. Lut. 49. In the Nebraska case it was bed that a city is not liable at common law for the negligent acts of the members of its fire department. In that case, plaintif's intestate was struck and killed by a ladder wagon or iruck belonging to the fire department of the defendant city, through the negligence of the driver thereof, a member of said department, while driving along one of the streets of the city for the purpose of exercising a team of horses belonging to the department.

After a review of the authorities, it was held that the city was not liable. Upon the general subject of the liability of cities for injuries by a fire department, see note to above case 1 m 35 Cent. L.J. 50 .

Criticizeng jedges.-Mr. Thomas Beven, a junior barrister, thus discusses the judgments of the House of Lords in Smith v. Baker in a recent number of the Law Quarterly Reviee. The judgments in that case in the Lurds, he says, contain "a wealth of unnecessary dicta." "Lord Herschell's suggestions about Thomas v. Quartermaine appear to be altogether apart from any point raised in the case." "There runs through all the opinions, excepting Lord Bramwell's and Lord Morris', a generality of expression applicable possitly to any case, or may be to no case." "A proposition" (of Lord Herschell) " of enormous extent is advanced, and without the faintest attempt to define its application." "The Lord Chancellor, in his judgment, has-perhaps unfortunately-introduced a new ambiguous expression . . . . consented to take the risk upon himself." "In ether view, the Lord Chancellor's principle is unnecessary." "Lord Bramwell . . . . the paradoxical expression in which he indulged." Finally, "What an immense and irreparable loss the House of Lords suffered when Lord Cairns teased to attend and mould its judicial deliberations."

Judicha Sentences.-It is very difficult to comprehend the reasons which guide some judges in the infliction of penalties. Some time ago a ruffian named Baker was indicted before Mr. justice Hawkins for felonious killing. The prisoner was driving his horse and cart at a rapid pace along a road where a number of people were standing. Instead of slackening his pace he drove through the crowd, and the shaft of his cart knocked down a bystander, from which injury he, the bye ander, died in a few hours. The prisoner, when told that he killed the man, said: "And a goud job, too. What business had he to be there"" The learned judge, in summing up, stated (as of course everybody knew) that people had a right to walk over the road, and were nut to be driven over recklessly morely because they happened to be there. The question left to the jury was whether the prisoner was driving rechlessly and without reasonable care. The jury having found the prisoner guilty of manslaughter, the learned judge
expressed his approval of the verdict. He then read a list of former corvictions of the prisoner for offences of a similar character, and sentenced him to three months imprisomment with hard labor. Pariurint nontes nascotur ridiculus mus. A murderer with a long list of convictions against him gets three wonths' imprisonment!

Widows in India.-A most amusing letter, dated as of the 3 of of August, and printed in the Madra. Standard, above the signature "A Sympathizer," vividly describes the sufferings of a Brahman widow, which included the shaving of her head. The writer states: "All her entreaties wore in vain. At the fixed hour, wher she resisted and refused to undergo this ceremony, her hands and legs were tied with a rope, some persons caught hold of her and the crown of her head was removed, then she fainted and fell senseless, and was ill for some days after that event." He then goes on to observe: " 1 know that people are punished for cmelty to animals, and 1 leave the roadors of your journal to judge whether this act can be classified as crnelty to a human being, althongh it is a privileged custom." If, indeen, it is a privileged custom in the benighted presidency to remove the crown of the Brahman widow, the society for the suppression of cruelty to animals certainly should look to it. A nother statement of this agreeable writer is very puzzling. He says tite widow "came away to Madras without the knowledge of her parents, with her attendant, a Sudra woman, wenring the only cloth she had on her bod; at the time she left her house and went directly to Miss Brandon." Now-which of the two wore the onl; cloth; And whose was it?-Indian 7 ?urist.

Evidence of Accusho Persons.- How often do we find counsel employed to defend persons accused of crimes pointing out to the jury that "the prisoner's lips are scaled!" The incompetence of a prisoner as a witness at his own trial is, as Sir James Stephens has remarked, "one of the most characteristic features of English criminal procedure." It would seem that, down to the period of the Civil War, prisoners were usually in errogated on being arraigned. Under the Stuarts, questions were still asked of the accused, thongh, owing principally to the unpopalarity of the Star Chamber procedure, the maxim "No one is bound to accutse himself" began to be recognized as one of the first principles of justice. The practice of questioning the prisoner died out soon after the Revolution of 1688 ; and, as the rulas of evidence passed from the civil to the criminal courts, the rule that an interested party was incompetent as a witness, which prevailed in civil cases up to 1853 , was extended to criminal cases. It should, however, be observed that formerly a prisoner accused of felony cculd not be defended by counsel, and had, therefore, to speak for himself. Moreover, by certain statutes of Philip and Mary, the committing magistrate was authorized to "take the examination of the person suspected." In I848 the fresent system was established by the II \& 12 Vict., c. 42 , under which the prisoner is asked whether ne wishes to say anything, and is warned that, if he chooses to do so, what he says will be taken down, and may be given in evidence at his trial. It
is clear, then, that, as the law stands, the prisomer is absolutely protected against all judicial questioning beforc or at the trial, and that, on the other hand, the and his wife are prevented from giving evidence in their own behalf In recent statutable offences, the tendency of ligislation has been to allow the accused nerson to be examined. By the Criminal Law Amendment Act of $\mathbf{8 8 8 5}$ ( 48 \& 48 Vict., c. 69 ), s. 20, every person charged with an offence under that Act shall be a competent, but not compellable, witness $q$ every hegring at every stage of such charge. Such evidence would not be admissible in a case of common assault.

The rule that a prisoner is incompetent as a witness at his own trial is highly favourable to guilty persons. A prisoner who is guilty of the crime with which he is charged necessarily knows more aboat the details than any other person. On the other hard, an innocent person cannot, except by some combinatiou of blunders, strengthen the case for the prosecution, and, therefore, his examination would probably tend to exonerate him. The old saying that it is better ninety-nine guilty persons should escape than that one innucent person should suffer is based on a humane sentiment; but the better maxim to adopt woild be: "Let no guilty person escape punishment, and let no innocent person the condemned." When an ignorant man or woman happens to be accused of an offence, without a chance of explaining the facts as a witness at the trial, the result is often the conviction of one who is entirely guiltless. Sir James Stephen gives a curious instance of this. A man was indicted at Quarter Sessions for stealing a spade. The evidence was that the spade was safe the night before, and was found in his possession next day, and that he gave no account of it. He made no defence, and was immediately convicted. When asked whether he had anything to say why sentence shouid not be passed on him, he replied: "Well, 'tis hard I should be sent to jail for this spade, when the man I bought it from is standing there in count." The chaiman caused the man referred to to be examined, and, the innocence of the prisoner having been demonstrated, the verdict was recalled, and he was set free.

The accused should be competent to give evidence in his own defence, and might then be cross-examined by the counsel for the prosecution. If this were done, guilt would frequently be brought home through the agency of the prisoner himself. The Crown should not, however, have the right to call the prisoner as a witness, for this would be an obvious injustice. The examination of the prisoner should not be compulsory, If he preferred not to give evidence, he should be allowed to exercise his own discretion. It may be assumed chat if the competency of the accused to give evidence, no matter what may be the nature of the offence, were once established, innocent persons would almost invariably offer themselves as witnesses in their own defence, even at the cost of undergoing a severe cross-examination.-Irish Law Times.

Recreations of Lawyers.-Angling (salmon fishing, perhaps, excepted) is not a favourite sport with lawyers. It is, as old Isaac Walton calls it, "the con-
templative man's recreation," and the lawyer is the reverse of contemplative. Lord Bacon was, indeed, a notable exception, but his "contemplative planet" went near to marring his fortunes. Hence the average lawyer is inclined to indorse Dr. Johnston's uncomplimentary definition of a fishing rod. What anglers there are are mostly Chancery barristers, yet Lord Westbury delighted in a day's trout fishing; indeed, it was almost the only relaxation he allowed himself while Chancellor. Cricket, on the other hand, like Catholic truth, is. received semper, ubique, ab omnibus. To play it scientifically, to play in county matches, requires more time than the practising lawyer can afford; but to play it in an amateurish way is open to all. The present writer, then a very small boy, used to play at this invigorating pastime with the late Serjeant Parry, and he has a lively recollection of the portly serjeant tripping on one occasion in his fielding, and measuring his length on the greensward. "Many a rood he lay." Only quite recently Mr. Justice Grantham broke his leg in the most honourable manner in assisting at a village cricket match. Sir Alexander Cockburn's ruling passion was yachting. Mr. Justice Wills has achieved distinction as an Alpine climber. It was while bathing that the late lamented Lord Justice Thesiger was struck by a wave which caused his untimely death. Sir Frederick Pollock is an expert swordsman. That "admirable Crichton," Mr. Justice Chitty, is as much at home with the racquet and the oar as he is with the technicalities of equity, to quote only a few instances of the physicial vigour and versatility of the English Bar and Bench.

Riding, says the poet, Mathew Green (and rightly),
To brace the nerves and stir the blood."
Lord Carnpbell rode every morning to Westminster Hall, and back in the evening. So did Lord Abinger, though very corpulent ; so did Malins, V.C., to Lincoln's Inn, till he broke his arm. Many a hard-worked barrister, Sir Horace Davey included, takes his morning gallop in the Row. In the old days, when judges rode the circuits, riding was a very necessary judicial accomplishment; but in Lord Tenterden's time this had yielded to the postchaise, and when Lord Tenterden was recommended horse exercise he distinctly declined, saying he should certainly fall off, like an ill-balanced sack of corn, as he had never crossed a horse any more than a rhinoceros; which reminds one of Lord Macaulay's. remark when he was offered a horse to take him as minister to Windsor: "If Her Majesty wishes to. see me ride, she must order out an elephant." The accident which Lord Tenterden apprehended did befall Mr. Justice Twisden on the last occasion on which the judges went in procession to Westminster Hall on horseback. The procession, once settled for the march, proceeded statily along. But when it came to straights and interruptions, "for want of gravity in the beasts and too much in the riders," as Roger North expresses it, "there happened some curveting which made no little disorder, and Judge Twisden, to his great affright and the consternation of his grave brethren, was laid along in the dirt." Need it be added that the learned judge arose valde iratus.

Cicero could be a lawyer and a man of letters also. Lord Coleridge is so,
too, happy in a double inheritance of genius; but the combination is a rare one, though many a lawyer quits the thorny roads of jurisprudence for the "primrose path" of literature. Sir William Blackstone seems to have felt their incompatibility when he wrote "The Lawyer's Farewell to his Muse," and said a fond adieu to the "Delikahs of the Imagination" before embarking on the stern task of "The Commentaries"; feeling himself, however, as he did so, like "an exile" going from home.

In the same devoted spirit Mr. Fearne, when he dedicated himself to "Contingent Remainders," burned all his profane library and wept over its flames, mourning more especially in this great act of renunciation for the Homilies of St. John Chrysostom to the people of Antioch, and for the comedies of Aristophanes! It is not recorded that Fearne ever returned to his scholarship, but Blackstone still found time to make critical remarks on Shakespeare, as another great judge of our own day has found time in his translation of the Fneid to reproduce for us "the stateliest measure ever moulded by the lips of man." Such "wantonings with the muse," as Kirke White would call them, are not in vain. They have left their impress on the luminous and eloquent diction of the commentaries; they are discernible in the finish of Lord Justice Bowen's judgments. Lord Selborne's reputation as a lawyer is none the worse because among the vulgar hustle of affairs his life, as has been well remarked, "has been elevated and ennobled by an element of ethereal texture-that love of poetry which has given us 'The Book of Praise.'"-Law Gazette.

## Reviews and Notices of Books.

The Old English Manor. A study in English Economic History. By Charles McLean Andrews, Ph.D. (J.H.U.), Associate in History in Bryn Mawr College. Baltimore: The Johns Hopkins Press, 1892.

An Introduction to the Study of the Constitution. A study showing the play of Physical and Social Factors in the Creation of Institutional Law. By Morris M. Cohn, Attorney-at-Law. Baltimore: The Johns Hopkins Press, 1892.
The above-mentioned books have been received, and will be noticed hereafter.

## DIARY FOR DECEMBER.

1. Thur....Chancery Division, H.C.J., sits. Prince of Wales born, 1844.
2. Sun.....2nd Sunday in Advent.
3. Tues..... General Sessions and County Court sittings for trial in York. Rebellion broke out, 1837.
4. Wed.....Rebels defeated at Toronto, $18: 3$.
5. Thur... Sir W. Campbell, 6th C.J. of Q.B., $182 \%$.
6. Sat.......Michaelnas Term ends. Amnuai fees to Law Socioty due-last day. Niagara dostroyed by U.S. troops, 1813.
7. Sun... ...Srd Sunday in Advent.
8. Tues.... County Ct. sitfings for trial except in York.
9. Thur....J. B. Macaulay, Ist C.J. of O.P., 1849. Prince Albert died, 1861.
10. Sat... ....First Lover Canada Parliament met, 1792
11. Sun ......tth Sunday in Advent. Slavery abolished in the United States, 1862.
12. Mon......Fort Niagara captured, 1813.

2t. Wed ....St. Thomas. Shortest day.
24. Sat......Christmas vacation begins.
25. Sun...... (hristmas Day.
26. Mon......St. Stephen. Upper Canada made a province, 1791.
27. Tues....St. John. J. G. Spragge, 3rd Chancellor, 1869.
28. Wed ....Imnoconts' Day.
31. Sat ...... Montgomery repulsed at Quebec, 1775.

## Early Notes of Canadian Cases.

## EXCHEQUER COURT OF CANADA

Burbidge, J.]
[Sept. I.
De Kuyper et al. $v$. Van Dulken et al.
Trade mark--Rectification of register-Jurisdiction of Exchequer Court-54 \& 55 Vict., c. $26-54 \& 55$ Vict., c. 35 .

The court has jurisdiction to rectify the register of trade marks in respect of entries made therein without sufficient cause either before or subsequent to the roth day of July, 1891, the date on which the Act $54 \& 55$ Vict., c. 35 , came into force.
Qucere: Has the court jurisdiction to give relief for the infringement of a trade mark where the cause of action arose out of acts done prior to the passage of the Act 54 \& 55 Vict., c. 26? Ferguson, Q.C., and Duhamel for demurrer.
Christie, Q.C., contra.

Couette et al. \%. The Queen.
Maritime law--Salvage-Government yesselSpecial contract.
A steamship belonging to the Dominion Government went ashore on the island of Anticosti, and suppliants rendered assistance with their wrecking steamer in getting her afloat. The service rendered consisted in carrying out
one of the stranded steamship's anchors and in taking a hawser and pulling on it until she came off. For carrying out the anchor it was admitted that the suppliants had bargained for compensation at the rate of fifty dollars an hour, but whether the bargain included the other part of the service rendered or not was in dispute. The service was continuous, no circumstances of sudden risk or danger having arisen to render one part of the work more difficult or dangerous than the other.

Held, (I) that the rate of compensation admittedly agreed upon in respect of carrying out the anchor must, under the circumstances, be taken as affording a fair measure of compensation for the entire service.
(2) A petition of right will not lic for salvage services rendered to a steamship belonging to the Dominion Government.

Pentland, Q.C., and Stuart, Q.C., for suppliants.

Cook, Q.C., and Angers, Q.C., for Crown.

## Martial $y$. The Quefn.

Tort-Injury to the person on a public work-Remedy-Prescription, interruption of-C.C. L.C., Art. 2227--50 \& 51 Vict., c. 16.

The suppliant, who was employed as a mason upon the Chambly Canal, a public work, was injured through the negligence of a fellowservant. Subsequent to the accident the Crown retained the suppliant in its employ as a watchman on the canal, and indemnified him for expenses incurred for medical attendance.
Held, that what was done was referable to the grace and bounty of the Crown, and did not constitute such an acknowledgment of a right of action as would, under Art. 2227, C.C.L.C., interrupt prescription.

Quare: Does Art. 2227, C.C.L.C., apply to claims for wrongs as well as to actions for debt?
Semble, that the Crown's liability for the negligence of its servants rests upon statutes passed prior to the Exchequer Court Act ( 50 \& 51 Vict., c. 16), and that the latter substituted a remedy by petition of right or by a reference to the court for one formerly existing by a submission of the claim to the official arbitrators, with an appeal to the Exchequer Court, and thence to the Supreme Court.
David and Sharp for suppliant.
Hogg; Q.C., for Crown.

## Lavoie $\boldsymbol{\tau}$. The Queen.

Liability of Crowen as common carrier-Negli-gence--Regulations for carriage of freight-- Notice by publication in Canada GazetteThe Government Railwuys Act, r881-The Exchicquer Court Act (50 \& 51 Vict., c. 16, s. 16)--Construction.
(I) Apart from statute, the Crown is not liable for the loss or injury to goods or animals carried by a Government railway occasioned by the negligence of the persons in charge of the train by which such goods or animals are shipped. By virtue of the several Acts of the Parliament of Canada relating to Government railways and other public works, the Crown is in such a case liable, and a petition of right will lie under the Act 50 \& 51 Vict., c. 16 , for the recovery of damages resulting from such loss or injury.

The Queen v. MiLeod (8 S.C.R. 1) and The Queen McFarlane (7 S.C.R. 216) distinguished.
(2) The publication in the Canada Gazette, in accordance with the provisions of the statute under which they are made, of regulations for the carriage of freight on a Government railway is notice to all persons having occasion to ship goods or animals by such railway.
(3) One of the general conditions in the regulations applicable to the carriage of live stock by the Intercolonial Railway is that "all live stock conveyed over the railway are to be loaded and discharged by the owner or his agents, and he undertakes all risk of loss, injury, damage, and other contingencies in loading, unloading, transportation, conveyance, and otherwise, no matter how caused."
By the joth section of the Act (R.S.C., c. 38) under which the regulations were made, it is provided that Her Majesty shall not be relieved from liability by any notice, condition, or declaration in the event of any damage arising from the negligence, omission, or default of any officer, employee, or servant of the Crown.

Held, that the regulations must be read as part of the Act (R.S.C., c. 38, s. 44), and that the condition did not relieve from liability where the loss or injury was occasioned by the negligence of the Crown's servants.
(4) The owner of a horse shipped in a boxcar, the doors of which can only be fastened from the outside, and who is inside of the car
with the horse, has a right to expect that the conductor of the train will see that the door of the car is closed and properly fastened before the train is started.
Belcourt and Choquette for suppliant.
Hogg, Q.C., for Crown.

## Murphy $v$. The Queen.

Sale of ordnance lands in Quebec-Cancellation -2.3 Vict. (P.C.), c. 2, s. 20.
In the year 1876 the suppliant purchased a number of lots at an auction sale of ordnance lands in the city of Quebec. He paid certain instalments and interest thereon, amounting in all to the sum of $\$ 2,447.92$. Being unable to complete the payments for which he was liable, he applied to the Crown in 1885 to appropriate the money paid by him to the purchase of three particular lots-Nos. 19, 38, and 39. This the Crown consented to do, and upon an adjustment of the account there was found to be a sum of $\$ 73.92$ due to the suppliant, which by mutual arrangement was appropriated to the purchase of another lot (No. 100), leaving a balance due to the Crown of $\$ 126.08$. When, however, the suppliant came to pay this balance and get his patents for the four lots, he was informed that lot 19 would probably be required for certain military purposes. He then tendered the balaycedue to the proper officer of the Crown in that behalf, but it was declined. Patents for lots 38,39 , and 100 were subsequently issued to the suppliant, and nothing further was done until 1886 , when the Crown resumed possession of lot 19 , which was followed up by an attempted cancellation of the sale of the lot under 23 Vict. (P.C.), c. 2, on the ground that as the balance due on the purchase had not been paid, the terms and conditions of sale had not been complied with.
Held, that the sale was not duly cancelled, that the suppliant bad forfeited none of his rights under the sale, and was entitled to damages equal to the value of the lot at the time the Crown resumed possession thereof.

Quare: Has the Deputy Minister of the Interior the right to exercise the powers of cancellation vested in the Commissioner of Crown Lands by the 20th section of the Act of the old Province of Canada, 23 Vict., c. 2 ?

Code and Stafford for suppliant.
Hogg, Q.C., for Crown.
[Oct. 31.

## The: Canadian Coal and Colonization Company v. The Quken.

Sale of Dowimion lamd-Reservation of mines and mintorals-This Dominion Lands Act (43 Vict, c. 20 ) - Righes of purchastr.
Where the Crown, having authority to sell, agrees to sell and convey public lands, and the contract is not controlled by any law affecting such lands, and there is no stipulation to the contrary, express or implied, the purchaser is entitled to a grant conveying such mines and minerals as pass without express words.
Cormutly, Q.C., and Abbott, Q.C., for plaintiffs.
Hegg, Q.C., for Crown.

> SLPREME COURT OF JUDICATURK FOR ONTAAIO.

COURT OF APPEAL
[Nov. 8.
In he Ghabsie et al. and The City of Tononto.

Wunicipal corporafion-Locial improvements-By-luzu.

A by-law imposing assessments for local inprovements initiated by the city was quashed where the work done and the times of payment therefor were different from those set out in the notice of intention to do the work.
Judgment of Gallt, C.J., uphelding the bylaw under legislation which the city on appeal waived the beneft of, reversed.
A)/cesworth, Q.C., for the appellants.
H. M. Alowat for the respondents.

## In re Pounder and Village of Winchester.

Mumicipal corparations-By-lau-Voters.
A local option by-law, carried by a vote of 71 to 15, was quashed where it appeared that the returning officer had announced that he would not accept the votes of tenant voters, 74 of whom were on the list, though it was not shown that more than a very small number of these
voters had made any attempt to vote, or had ex. pressed any intention of voting.
Judgment of Galit, C.J., reversed, MaclenNan, J.A., cissenting.
E. E. A. Du Vernet for appellent. Langlon, Q.C, for respondent.

## REOINA $\nu$. EDWARDS.

## Regina v. Lynch.

## Constitutional latu-Evidence-Justice of the

 Peace-5s Vict., c. 15, s. 5 .A case can be stated by a justice of the peace under 52 Vict., $c, 15$, s. 5 , for the judgment of the Court of Appeal only when the constitutional validity of the statute under which he acquires jurisdistion is called in ques. tion, and not when the constitutional validity of some other statute, such as a statute regulating procedure or evidence, is collaterally attacked.
E. E. A. Dutcrnet for the defendants.
f. R. Curtwright, Q.C., for the Crown.

## Watt $\tau$ Cisy of London.

Assissmen: and thers-- Phate of business -Bromith-Court of Reviston-Bar.

A firm carrying on business at Brantford were held not assessable at London in respect of a large quantity of sugar stored by them in a warehouse there, orders for sugar being sent to the firm at Brantford by their traveller in London and the invoices being made out at and forwarded from Grantford, though the sngar was shipped from London and repayment of taxes paid under protest, after inefiectual appeals to the Court of Revision and the County Court judge were ordered.
Judgment of Armour, C. I., reversed.
Gibbon, Q.C., for the appellants.
W. R. Mereaith, Q.C., for the respondents.

## Dañcy \% Grand Trunk R. W. Co. et al. <br> Railways- Ticket-Comiratt-Condition--Dam-"ges-" Via direct line."

A condition in a railway ticket as to travelling "via direct line" was rejected as meaningless, each of three possible routes being circuitous, though one was shorter in point of mileage than the others.

The amount of damages allowed by the jury to the plaintiff because of his removal from the train while taking one of the lenger routes was reduced by this court as unwarrantably large.
Judgment of the Queen's Bench Division, 20 O.R. 603, varied.
Aylesworth, Q.C., for the appellants.
Lount, Q.C., for the respondent.

Mewburn v. Mackblcan.
Principal and surety-Bond-Payment-Con. dition precedent-Penally.

Under a bond conditioned to be void if the person on whose behalf it is given "shall indemnify and save harmiess (the obligee) from payment of all liability of every nature and kind whatsoever," a right of action against the sureties arises in favour of the obligee ss soon as judgment is recovered against him on a claim coming within the security, Payment of such claim by him is not a condition precedent.

Boyd v. Rodinson, 20 O.R. 404, confirmed.
A bond without a penalty may be good as a covenant or agreement.
Judgenent of Aramour, C. J., affirmed.
Nobivom, Q.C. Madelcan, Q.C., and Marsh, Q.C., for the appellants.

Lymch-Stanton and $A m b$ oose for the respondent.

## Zamerer Grand Trunk R. W. Co.

Railouny-Ditnages-Limitations-SIVict, $c$. 20, s. 287 (D.)-R.S.O., c. 135, s. 5.
The plaintif's father was killed on the toth of February, 1891, by a fall from a bridge which crossed the defendants' line, and had been neyligently allowed by them to be out of repair. The action was legun on the loth of December, 1891 , no letters of administration having been taken out.
Held, por Burton, Osler, and Maclennan, J.A. (Hagarty, C.J.O., expressing no opinion), that this was not "damage sustained by reason of the railway," and that the limitation clanses of the Railway Act did not apply.

Held, alsu, per Hagarty, C.J.O., Burton, and Maclewnan, JJ.A. (Oslerr, J.A., expressing no opinion), that the provisions of R.S.O., c. 135 (Lord Campbells Act), are not affected
by special railway legisiation of this kind, and that the action was begun in time.
Judginent of Robertson, J., 21 O.R. 628, affirmed on other grounds.
M6Carthy, Q.C., and W. Nesbitt for the appellants.
Rove for the respondents.

## HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.

## Queen's Bench Division.

## Divl Court.]

[Nov, 2 I.
In Re Forbes $\eta$. Michigan Central. R.W. Co.
in Re Murphy $\boldsymbol{y}$. Michigan Centeal R.W. Co.

## Prohibition-Division Court-Judge ecserving

 judgment without naming day-R.S.O., $\mathrm{C} .5 \mathrm{~F}_{\mathrm{s}}$ s. I4q-Failure to notify parties of judgment -Prejudice-Clain.The county judge presiding in a Division Court heard two plaints, and in the presence of the agents for the parties, who made no objection, stated his intention of postponing judgment, but did not name a subsequent day and hour for the delivery thereof, as required by R.S.O., c. 51, 3. I44. A month later the judge, without any previous announcement, gave judgment in writing in favour of the plaintiff, handing it to the agent of the plaintifft, who delivered it to the clerk of the Division Court. The defendants were not notified by the clerk that judgment liad been given till seven weeks later, and till then neither they nor their ageat had any knowledgs of the judgment. It was then too late to move for a new trial.

Held, that it was the duty of the judge, before he gave judgment, to cause the parties to be notified that he would give judgment at a certain time; that not having done so he was acting without jarisdiction ; that the defendants bad been prejudiced by the course taken, and had not waived the objection, and were therefore entitled to an order of prohibition.
H. W. Mickle for the plaintiffs.
H. Symons tor the defendants.

Streikt, J.]
[Nov. 16.
Grant v. Northern Pacific R.W. Co.
Railveay compunies-Ruilwory carrying goods through other railways as apents-Loss of goods on agents line-Liability of principal railouay.

Action to recover the value of certain goods. Evans, the purchaser of the goods in question in British Columbia, having the right to name the rode of transit, arranged with Blackwood, the defendants' agent there, that it should be forwarded by the Grand Trunk Railway and the Chicago \& North-Western R.W. Co. to the defendants' care in St. Paul. The order to this effect having been forwarded by Backwood to Belcher, the defenclams' arent in Toronto, was by bim forwarled to the plaintifs with a request that they would ship the goods marked in the prescribed manner; and the plaintiffs did as directed.

Held, that the defendants must be taken to have received the goods by their agents, the Grand Trunk R.W. Co.. upon a contract to carry and deliver them safely to the order of the consignee at Victoria, British Columbia. This contract was broken by their delivering the goocis to a person other than the consignee, and plaintifs having thus lost the value of the goods are clearly entitled to recover.

Walince Nesbilt and Thos. Wells for the plaintiffs.

Bigctov, (.$C$, for the defendants.

## Chancery Division.

## STREET; ] ]

[Sept. 24.
Nason $u$ Armstrong.
Vendor and purchascr-Will-Devise-Esiate -Condition of sale-Goon tille-Tine within which to raise objection to title--Costs.
A testatrix by her will devised one-half of a lot to her daughter A.P., and the other half to her daughter B.P., and then provided: "And be it understood that if either of my daughters die without lawful issue, the part and portion of the deceased shall revert to the surviving daughte'; and in the case of both dying without issue, then I authorize my brother (naming him), the priest of St. Paul's parish, and my
executor, to subdivide the estate amongst my relatives as they shall deem right and equitabio in their prudence, justice, and charity."

In an action by a purchaser from the defendants, who claimed through B.P. for specific per. formance of an agreement for purchase, or, in case they could not make a good title, for a return of the purchase money, it was

Held, that B.P. took a defeasable estate in fee, with a devise over to A.P. in case B.P. should die leaving no issue at her death, and, as B.P. was still alive, it was impossible to say that a conveyance from he; passed a good title.

Little v. Billingr, 37 Gr. 353, and Ashbridge v. Ashbridge, 22 O.R. 146 , referred to.

Held, also, that notwithstanding a condition in the agreement that "The vendee to examine the thle at his own expense, and to have ten days . . . for that purpose, and shall be deemed to have waived all objections to titie not raised within that time," the vendee is entitled to a gond title, and at any time before conveyance is entitled to show that the vendor cannot make any title to the land which the vendee has agreed to purchese.

Hell, also, under the circumstances of this case, that the plaintiff had not by his conduct and delay waived his right to object to the title; but as he had not raised the objection in the proper manner and at the proper time, he should get no costs.
E. D. Armour, Q.C., for the plaintif:

Mos., Q.C., and $J, A$. Macronald for the defendants.

Boyd, C.]
[Sept. 26.
Re Eddie.
Will-bevise-Legaty charged-Sale by executors in order to pay the legacy.
A testator cievised to his daughter a lot of land charged with a legacy. The daughter predeceased the testator, leaving two children, to whom the lot descended.
On an application by the executors at the instance of the official giardian, it was
/feid, that it was the duty of the executors to sell the land and pay the legacy.

Midallolon for the executor.
J. Hoskin, Q.C., Official Guardian, for the infants.

Boyn, C.]
[Sept. 29.

## Re Dovglas.

## Kinsey $\boldsymbol{v}$. Douglas.

> Will-Gift contutned in divection to pay-Postponement of enjoyment- Time of vesting.

A testator by his will directed that his estate should be divided upon his youngest child attaining the age of ar years, the income of the estate in the meantime to be paid to the wife for the benefit of herself and the children. The only gift was contained in the direction to pay and divide upon the arrival of the period of distribution.

Held, that the gifts vested prior to the enjoyment of the corpus of the estate, which was only postponed in order to provide for the maintenance of the family.

Heid, also, that the gift vested in each child upon altaining the age of 21 , and that no child who did not attain as was intended to take a share of the corpus.
W. A. G. Bell for plaintiff and defendant Coffee (a sister's representative).
H. S. Osler for the two sons.

Robertson, J.]
[Nov, 16.
Re the Trusts Corporation of Ontario and Medland et al.

Vendor and purchaser-Lands vested in trustee
-Execution against cestui que trust-Title.
Lands were conveyed to and held in the name of $B$, at the instance and for the benefit of A., but without any disclosed trust. Writs of fi. ja. lands against A. were placed in the sherifi's hands before his death, but after the conveyance to $B$. After the death of $A$. his administrators sold the lands, and offered the purchaser a deed from themselves and one from 13.

On an application under the Vendors and Purchasers Act, it was

Held, that the purchaser was not bound to carry out the sale unless the writs of $f$. fa, were removed or released.
D. Sawnders for the petitioner, the purchaser.

W, D. Guynne, contra, for the vendors.

## Re Vanstckle and Moore.

Vendor and furcinaser-Conveyance to trusn tees-Power to sell-Power to mortgage im. pliced.
On an application under the Vendors and Purchasers Act it was shown that the equity of redequption in property in question had been conveyed to trustees to sell and convey, and apply the proceede on certain notes given to creditors; that foreclosure proceedings had been taken on a prior mortgage, and the time for redemption had nearly expired. To try to save the estate the trustess mortgaged it, and with the proceeds succeeded in staying the foreciosure, getting further time. Subsequently the mortgage made by the trustees was foreclosed. When the mortgagee attempted to make title through the latter mortgage and foreclosure, it was objected that the trustees had no power to mortgage.

Held, that under the circumstances the trustees were justified in mortgaging, and that in order to save the estate it was right for them to do so, and that the vendor could make title.
F. A. Eddis for the purchaser.
A. Elitiot for the vendor.

Boyd, C.]
[Nov. 24.

## Re Rathbone \& White.

Vendor and purckaser--Convejance by all parties interested during ife of life tenant-Tille-R.S.O. C. 172.
A testator devised his lands to executors and trustees to rent and pay the amount received to his widow for life, and sitter her death to sell and divide the proceeds between two sons, One of the sons sold and conveyed all his in: terest to his brother's wife. During the lifetime of the widow the trusteas, the widow and the remaining son and his wife all being sw juris, conveyed all their interes.s to a purchaser.

Held, that the grantee claiming through that conveyance could make a good title.
F. E. Hodigns for the vendor, petilioner.
T. C. Thempson for the purchaser.

## Practice.

Boyd, C.]
Stewart $v$, Rowsom.
Movgage--Power of sale-Erercise of-S. Sole of timber only-Notice of satc.
A mortgagee of timbered land, whose mortgage contained the ordinary short form of power of sale authorized by R.S.O., c. Io7, in the exercise of such power sold the timber without the land.

Held, that the sale, as an exercise of the power, was void.

Held, also, upon the evidence, that no such notice of sale was given to the phintiff as he was entitled to under the power.
D). Robertson for the plaintif:
H. I. OCOMnor, Q.C., for the defendants.

Macmahon. J.]
[Oct. 17.
Ardhla Citizens Insurance Co.
Ardill $\%$ Atna Insurance Co.
Her insuronce-Contract for sale of insured builting-Change of title-Change material to the rish.
On the $14^{\text {th }}$ March, 1892 , the plantifis entered into a contract with a firm of contractors for the erection of a brick church, and it was thereby provided that the fabric of the plaintifis' old frame church and other building material was to become the property of the contractors, at a valuation of $\$ 525$, as a first payment under the contract; and it was further agreed that the contractors were to have "full possession of premises and old church building, so as they may be able to commence operations on the first day of April next." On the 15 th March, 1892, the old church was completely destroyed by fire. At the time of the fire policies of the defendants were in force, under which it was insured for $\$ 2,400$. The plaintiffs, previous to the ist April, 1892, paid the contractors $\$ 150$ for any loss they might have sustained by the destruction of the church, and proved their claim against the defendants at about $\$ 2,100$.
Held, that upon the construction of the building contract, the church was to remain the property of the plaintiffs until the 1st April, 1892, and at the time of the fire there had been no assignment, alienation, sale or transfer, or
change of title to the property, and there had been no change material to the risk. The plaintiffs were therefore entitted to recover from the defendents the amount of the loss.
S. H. Bhake Q.C., for the plaintiffs.

Osier; Q.C., and H. H. Collier for the defendants.

| The Master in Chambers.] | [Oct. 24. |
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| Galt, C.J.] | $[$ Nov. 4. |
| Rose, J.] | [Nov. 22. |

Harding $\boldsymbol{v}$. Knust.
Costs--Taxation-Witness and wuthsel fees-Disallowance-False affidavit of increase-Motion to set aside certificate of taxationMaster in Chambers-Judge in ChambersJutistiction.

Upon the taxation of the plaintiff's costs of action, he made the usual affidavit of increase, and was thereupon allowed for disbursements of sums of money as witness and counsel fees. The taxation was closed, and the certificate was issued without objection. The defendant afterwards discovered tha: the fees had not been paid, as stated in the affidavit, and made a motion to set aside the certificate and have the items in question disallowed.

Held, that neither the Master in Chambers nor a Judge in Chambers had jurisdiction to entertain the motion.

Upon motion to a judge in court :
Held, that the items should be disallowed.
Hornick v. Romnty, if C.L.T. Occ.N. 329, followed.
E. F. B. Johnstom, Q.C., for the plaintiff.
W. R. Smyth for the defendant.

Rose, J.]
[Oct. 31.

## gtevenson etal. v. Crayson.

## Jury notice-Eiquitable cause of action.

Upon the application noted ante p. 574 being heard before the trial judge, the jury notice was struck out.

Wallace Nesbitt and T, A. Smider for defendant.

Nesbitt, Q.C., and Gaula for plaintiffs were not called on.

## Galt, C.J.]

Marsh $\nu$. Wesb.

## Security for costs-Appeal to Supreme Court of Canada- Delivery out of bond.

Where the plaintiff, being out of the jurisdiction, has filed a bond as security for the defendant's costs of the action, and has succeeded in the court of first instance and in the Court of Appeal, he is entitled, notwithstanding that the defendant is appealing to the Supreme Court of Canncla, to have his bond delivered out to him. imill v. Lilley, 3 Times L.R. 349; 56 L.T. N.S. 620, followed.
$W$. J. Green for the plaintif.
F. L. We $b d$ for the defendant.

The Master in Chambers.]
[Nov. 8.

## Mclennaif $\because$ Fournier.

Appearance - Default of - Noting pleadings closed-Rule 303.
Where defendants do not appear, an order may be made, by analogy to Rule 393, directing the proper officer to note the pleadings closed, but without such an order the officer has no power to do so.
Morre v. Lambe (ante p. 468) explained.
S. H. Blake, Q.C., for the plaintiff.
J. A. Mricintosh for the defendants.

Boyd, C:]
[Nov. 16.

## Clarke 7 Cooper.

Amendmen--Mortgage action-Omission to inctede part of mortgaged lands - Amending curit of summnns after judgitent-Rules 444, Pos.
Under the liberal powers of amendment now given by Rules 444 and 780 , the writ of summons may be anended after judgment.

And where the plaintiff, by mistake, onitted from the description of lands in the writ of summons in a mortgage action a parcel included in the mortgage, an order was made, after judgment and final order of foreclosure, vacating the final order, directing an amendment of the writ and all proceedings, and allowing a new day for redemption by a subsequent incumbrancer who did not consent to the order, and in defaut the usual order to foreclose.

Marten for the plaintiff.
S. T. Symons for the defendant, the Quebec Bank.

Fiose J.]
[Nov. 22.

## Berlif Plano Co.v. Truaisca.

Venue-Change of-Preponderance of convent: ence-Cause of attion-l'ersonal convenience of witnesses.

Upon a motion to change the enute, it is rec. essary to show an overwhelining preponiterance of convenience in favour of the change.
Ficer v. North-West Transportation Co., 14 P.R. 381, followed.

Where the defendant moved to change the place of trial from: Berlin to Belleville, showing that the saving of expense to him, if the case were tried at Belleville, watild be about $\$ 40$, and that there were two or three nore witnesses at Belleville than at Berlin, and the cause of action arose at Belleville, the motion was refused.
Held, that the question whether it would be personally more inconvenient for the plaintiffs' witnesses to go to Belleville, or for the defendants witnesses to go to Berlin, was not one that could be considered.
W. H. P. Clement for the phintifs.
W. H. Blake for the defendant.

Boyd, C.]
[Nov. 23.
Fournier $\because$ hogarth.
Security for costs-Pluintiff giving false ad-dress-Temforary residence within jurisdic-tion-Incarceration under criminal sentence.

Where the plaintiff, who for two years previous to the commencement of the action had been a resident in the Province of Quebec, indorsed a false address, within Ontario, upon the writ of summons, for the purpose of misleading and escaping giving security for costs, and was at the time an application was made therefor a prisoner in Ontario under a criminal sentonre, he was ordered to give security for costs.
Swanzy v. Swanzy, 4 K. \& J. 237, followed.
Redondo v. Chayter; 4 Q.B.D. 453, commented on.
H. 7. Beck for the plaintif.
L. G. Micarthy for the defendant Hogarth.

## Appointments to Offce.

## Queen's Bench Judges. <br> Province of Quebec.

The Honourable Jonathan Saxton Campbell Wurtele, one of the judges of the Superior Court in and for the Province of Quebec, to be a Puisné judge of the Court of Queen's Bench in and for the Province of Quebec, wice the Honourable Alexander Cross, resigned.

## Coundy Courj \|ubors.

## County of Victoria.

John MeSweyn, of the Toun of Lindsay, in the Province of Ontario, Esquire, and of Osyoode Hall, Barrister-at-Law, to be Deputy Judge of the Countr Court of the County of Victoria, in the said Province of Ontario.

## SHERIFFS.

## Coun! of Bruct:

Frederick Sheppard O'Connor, of the 7 own of Walkerton, in the County of Bruce, Esquire, to be Sherifi in and for the said County of Hruse, in the room and stead of Willian Sutton, Esquire.

## CORON ERS

## Distriat of Rainy Riemer.

Charles Joseph Hollands, of the Vilage of Fort Francis, in the District of Rainy River, Esquire, to be an Associate. Coroner within and for the said District of Rainy River.

## County Atrorneys. <br> District of Thunder Baj.

Thomas Ambrose Gotham, of the Town of Port Arthur, in the District of Thunder Bay, Esquire, Barrister-at-I aw, to be Crown Attorney and Clerk of the Peace in and for the said District of Thunder l3ay, in the room and stead of Albert Romain Lewis, Esquire, resigned.

Police Magistrates.
Villige of Campletlford.
Daniel Johnson Lynch, of the Village of Campbellford, in the County of Northumberland, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, to be Police Magistrate in and for the said Village of Campbellford.

## Town of Fort Willian.

Allan McDougall, of the Town of Fort William, in the District of Tbunder Bay, Esquire, to be Police Magistrate for the said Town of Fort William and certain territc $y$ in the said District of Thunder Bay, and in the District of Rainy River.

## Town of Wallerton.

Alexander Wesley Robb, of the Town of Walkerton, in the County of Bruce, Esquire, to be Police Magistrate in and for the said Town of Walkerton, in the room and stead of Jion Bruce, Esquire.

## Division ('OURT Clerks.

## County of Huron.

James Whyard, of the Village of Dungannon, in the County of Huron, Gentleman, to be Clerk of the Sixth Division Court of the said County of Huron, in the room and stead of William McArthur, resigned.

## District of Pary Sound.

William Ditchburn, of the Village of Rossenu, in the District of Parry Sound, Gentleman, to be Clerk of the Third Division Court of the said District of Parry Sound, in the room and stead of E. Sirett, resigned.

County of Simoce.
George Chrystal, Gentleman. to be Clerk of the Third Division Court of the Comnty of Simcoe, in the room and stead of Joel Rogers, resigned.

## Division Courf Balliffs. <br> County of Carleton.

Ernest A. Lapierre, of the City of Ottawa, in the County of Carleton, to be Bailiff of the First Division Court of the said County of Carleton, in the room and stead of R. Hamiton, resigned.

## County of Haldimand.

William Ross McIndoe, of the Village of Dumbille, in the County of Haldimand, to be Bailiff of the Third Division Court of the said County of Haldimand, in the room and stead of James Clemo, deceased.

## Uniled Counties of Prescoth and Russell.

Samuel Wright, of the Village of L'Orignal, in the County of Prescott, Bailiff of the First Division Court of the United Counties of Prescott and Russell, to be Bailitf also of the

Seventh Division Court of the said United Counties, in the room and stead of Frederick Calvin Hersey.

## County of Renfrew.

Alexander Gorman, of the Village of Shamrock, in the County of Renfrew, to be Bailiff of the Fifth Division Court of the said County of Renfrew, in the room and stead of John Hughes, resigned.

## County of Wellington.

John H. Doughty, of the City of Gueiph, in 'he County of Wellington, to be Bailiff of the First Division Court of the said County of Wellington, in the room and stead of William H . Mills, deceased.

Comminsioners for Taking Affidavits. City of Montreal.
John Little, of the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec, Esquire, to be a Commissioner for taking Aftidavits within and for the said City of Montreal, and not elsewhere, for use in the Courts of Ontario.

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A celebrated barrister, with whom crossex:mination was a fine art, once confidentially told an adverse witness in the box that he knew be possessed the key of the legal situation, that he held a most important secret.
"And mind you," added he with measured emphasis, "I am going to get it out of you." And he did, for the witness was demoralized in anticipation by the lawyer's emphatic and cock. sure warning.

AN eminent baraster, famous for his power in cross-examination, had once to defend a man charged with poisoning his master. The principal witness for the prosecution was a fellowservant, who swore that he detected the prisoner in the act of mixing a white powder with the hot water and spirits which it was his duty to supply his master with every night on retiring to bed.

The defending counsel, in his cross-examina: tion, was so deferential and poltte to the witness that his manner as much excited the surprise of the court as it flattered the feelings of the witness himself $H$ : was complimented wori his intelligent and straightorwart peplies, and finally questioned as to the finding of the remains of the powder in the glass, a fact to which he had sworn.
"After what transpired you had no doubt that it was the arsenic which caused the illoess of your master?" asked the counsel, directing a look of indignation at his own client, the prisoner in the dock. The witness assented.
"Then you know something of the properties of arsenic?" observed the other, with an approving smile. The witness hesitated, and replied in the negative.
"Then," suddenly thundered the barrister, fiashing his eyes upon him, "how did you know the powder to be arsenic?"

The transition was so sudden that the man was carried out in a fit.

The defence was that the white powder was nothing more than the usual harmless sugar provided with hot punch, while the real poison had been added by another hand.

At the next assizes the prisoner and the witness had changed places, when the latter was proved the real culprit-a fact suspected and worked upon by the astute counsel from the first.

A still more clever ruse was that adopted by another counsel who afterwards aitained to distinction, who had to examine a witness in a disputed will case. One of the witnesses to the will was the deceased man's valet, who swore that after signing his name at the bidding of his master he then, also acting under instructions, carefully sealed the document by means of the taper by the bedside. The witness was induced to describe every minute detall of the whole process, the exact time, the position of the taper, the size and quality of the sealingwax " which," said the counsel, glancing at the document in his hand, "was of the ordinary red description ?"
"Red sealing-wax, c rtainly," answered the witness
"My Lord," said the counsel, handing the papar to the judge, "you will please observe that it was fastened with a wafer."

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## Attendance at the Law Schoof.

This School was established on its present basis by the Law Society of Upper Canada in 1:89, under the provisions of rules passed by the society in the exercise of its statutory powert. It is conducted under the immediate supervision of the Legal Education Committee of the Society, subject to the control of the Bencbers of the Society in Convocation assembled.

Its purpose is to secure as far as possible the possession of a thorough legal education by all those who enter upon the practice of the legal profession in the Province. To this end, with certain exceptions in the cases of students who had begun their studies prior to its establishment, attendance at the School, in some case. during two, and in others during three terms or sessions, is made compulsory upon all who dssire to be admitted to the practice of the Law.

The course in the school is a three years course. The term or session commences on the fourth Monday in September, and ends on the first Monday is May, with a vacation commencing on the Saturuay before Christmas and ending on the Saturday after New Year's day.

Admission to the Law Socrety is ordinarily a condition precedent to attendance at the Law School. Every Student-at-Law and Articled Clerk before being allowed to enter the School must present to the Principal a certificate of the Secretary of Law Society, showing that he has been duly admitted upon the books of the Society, and has paid the prescribed fee for the term.

Students, however, residing elsewhere, and desirolls of attending the lectures of the Schoo, but not of qualifying themselves topractise in Ontario. are allowed, upun payment of usual fee, to attend the lectures without admission to the Law Society.

The students and cierks who are exempt from attendance at the Law School are the following:

1. All ;eudents and clerks attendingina Barris. ter's chambers, or se eqingunder articios elsewhere than in Toronto, and who were nemitted prior to

Hilary Term, 1889 , so long as they coninue so to attend or serve elsewhere than in Toronto.
2. All graduates who on June 25 th, 1889 , had entered upon the second year of their course as Students-at-Law or Articled Clerks.
3. All non-graduates who at that date had entered upon the fourth year of their course as Students-at-Law or Articled Clerks.

Provision is mate by Rules $164(g)$ and 164 ( $h$ ) for clection to take the School course, by students :and clerks who arn exempt therefrom, either in whole or in part.
Attendance at the School for one or more terms, as provided by Rules 155 to 166 inclusive, is compulsory on all students and clerks not exempt as above.
A student or clerk who is required to attend the School during one term oniy must attend during that term which ends in the last year of his period of attendance in a Barrister's chambers or scrvice under articles, and may p.esent himself for his final examination at the close of such term, athough his period of attendance in chambers or service under articles may not have expined.

Those students and clerks, not being graduates, who are required to attend, or who choose to atterd, the first year's leciures in the School, may de so at their own option either in the first, second, or third year of their attendance in chambers or service under articles, and may present themselves for the first-year examination at the close of the term in which they attend such lectures, and those who are not required to attenci and do not attend the lectures of that year may present themselves for the first-year examination at the close of the school term in the first, second, or third year of their attendance in chambers or service under articles. See new Rule 156 ; $a$ ).
Under new Rules 156 (i) to 156 ( $/(1)$ inclusive, students and clerks, not being graduates, and having first duly passed the :rit-year examination, may attend the second year's lectures either in the second, third, or fuurth year of their attendance in chambers or seivice under articles, and present themselves for the secondyear examination at the close of the term in which they shall have attended the lectures. They will also be allowed, by a written election, to divide their attendance upon the second year's lectures between the si :ond and third or between the third and fourth years, and their attendance upon the third year's lectures between the fourth and fifth years of their attendance in chambers or service under articles, making such a division as, in the opinion of the Principai, is reasonably near to an equal one between the two years, and paying only one fee for the full year's course of lectures. The attendance, however, upon one year's course of lectures cannot be commenced until after the examination of the preceding year has been duly passed, and a atudent or clerk cannot present himself for the examination of any year untilhe has completed his attend. ance on the lectures of that year.

The course during each term embraces lectures, recitations, discussions, and other oraimethods of instruction, and the holding of moot courts under the supervision of the Principal and Lecturers.

On Fridays two moot courts are held for the studentis of the second and third yeare respectively. They are presided over by the Principal or a Lecturer, who states the case to be argued, and appoints two students on each side to argue it, of which notice is given one week before the day for argument. His decision is pronounced at the close of the argument or at the next moot cuirt.

At each lecture and moot court the attendance of students is carefully noted, and a record thereof kept.
At the close of tch term the Principal certifies to the Legal Education Committee the names of those students who appear by the
cord to have duly attended the lectures of that term. No student is to be certified as having duly attended the lectures unless he bas attended at least five-sixtin of the agyregate number of lectures, and at least four-fifths or the number of lectures on each subject delivered during the term and pertaining to his year. If any student who has failed to attend the required number of lectures satisfies the Principal that such failure has been due to ilmess or other goond cause, a special report is made upon the matter to the Legal Education Committee. The word "lectures" in this connection includes moot courts.

Two lectures (one hour) daily in each year of the course are delivered on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. On Friday there is one lecture in the first year, and in the second and third years the moot courts take the place of the ordinary lectures. Printed scheduies showing the days and hours of all the lectures are distributed among the students at the commencement of the term.

During his atendance in the School, the student is recommended and encouraged to devote the time not occupied in attendance upon lectures, recitations, discussions, or moot courts, in the reading and study of the books and subjects prescribed for or dealt with in the course upon which ie is in attendance. As far as practicable, students will be provided with room and the use of books for this purpose.
The fee for attend ence for each term of the course is $\$ 25$, payable in. ivance to the Sub-Trensurer, who is also the Secretary of the Law Society.

The Rules which should be read for information in regard to attendance at the Law School are Rules 154 to 167 both inclusive.

## EXAMINATION:

Every applicant for admission to the Law Society, if not a graduate, must have passed an examination according to the curriculum pre scribed by the Society, under the desipnation of "The Matriculation Curriculum." This examination is not held by the Society. The applicant must have passed some duly authorized examination, and have been enrolled as a ma-
triculant of some University in Ontario, before he can be admitted to the Law Society.

The tbree law examinations which every student and clerk must pass after bis admission, viz., first intermediate, second intermediate, and final examinations, must, except in the ase to be presently mentioned of those students and clerks who are wholly or partly exempt from attendance at the School, be passed at the Law School Examinations under the Law School Curriculum hereinafter printed, the first intermediate examination being passed at the close of the tirst, the second intermediate examination at the close of the second, and the final examination at the close of the third year of the school course respectively.

Any student or clet: who under the Rules is exempt fromattending the lectures of the School in the second or third year of the coarse is at liberty to prass his second intermediate or final examination or both, as the case may be, under the Latw Society Curriculum instead of doing so at the Law School Examinations under the Law School Curriculum, provided he does so within the period during which it is deemed proper to continue the holding of such examinations under the said Law Society Curriculum. The first intermediate examination under that curricul mom has been already discontinued, and that exmination must now be passed under the Law Sciool Curriculam at the Law School Examinations by all students and clerks, whether required to attend the lectures of the first year or not. It will be the same in regard to the second :nermediate examination after May, 1893, ifter which time that examination under the Lav Society Curiculum will be discontinued. Due notice will be hereafter published of the discontinuance of the final examinations under that curriculum.

The percentage of marks which must be obtained in order to pass an examination of the Law School is fifty-five per cent. of the aggregate number of marksobtailable, and twenty-ninepercent. of the marks obtainable apon each paper.

Examinations are also held in the week commencing with the first Monday in September for those who were not entitled to present themselves for the carlie. examination, or who, having presented themselves, failsd in whole or in part.

Students whose attendance upon lectures has been allowed as sufficient, and who have failed at the May examinations, may present themselves at the September examinations, either in all the subjects or in those subjects only in which they falled to obtain fifty-âve per cent. of the marks obtainable in such subjects. Those entitled, and desiring, to present themselves at the September exaninations must give notice in writing to the Secretary of the Law Society, at least two weeks prior to the time of such examinations, of their intention to present themselver, stating whether they intend to do so in all the subjects, or in those only in which they failed to obtain fifty-five per cent., of the marks obtainable, mentioning the names of such subjects.

The time for holding the examinations at the close of the term of the Law School in any jear may be varied from time to time by the Legal Education Committee, as occasion may require.
On thesubject of examinations referencemaybe made to Rules 168 to 174 inclusive, and to the Act R.S.O. (1887), cap. 147 , secs. 7 to 10 inclusive.

## Honors, Scholarsh is, and Medals.

The Law School examinations at the close of term include examinations for Honors in all the three years of the School course. Scholarships are offered for competition in connection with the first and second intermediate examinations, and medals in connection with the final examination.
In connection with the intermedate examinations under the Law Society's Curriculum, no examination for Honors is held, nor Scholarship offered. An examination for Honors is held, and medals are offered in connection with the final examination for Call to the Bar, but not in connection with the final examination for admission as Soliciter.

In order to be entitled to presunt thomselves for an examination for Honses, candidates must obtain at least three-fourths of the whole number of marks obtainable on the papers, and onethird of the marks obtainable on the paper on each subject, at the Pass examination. In order to be passed with Honors, candidates must obtain at least three-fourths of the aggregare marks obtainable on the papers in bork the Fass and Honor examinations, and at least onehalf of the aggregate tharke obtainable on the papers in eac :ubject on both examinations.

The schr): hips offered at the Law Schuol examiation are the following :

Of the candidates passed with Honors at each of the intermediate exmmitations the first shall be entitled to a scholarship of $\$ 100$, the second to a scholarship of $\$ 60$, and the next five to a scholarship of \$40 carh, and each scholar s'pall receive a diploma certifying to the fact.

The medais offered at the final examinations of the Law School and also at the final examination for Call to the Bar under the Law Society Curriculum are the following:

Of the peri nns called with Honors the first three shall be entitled to medals on the following conditions:

The first: If he has passed both intermediate examinations with Honors, to a gold medal, otherwise to a silver medal.

The Second: If he has passed both intermediate examinations with Honors, to a silver medal, otherwise to a bronze medal.

The Thirl: If he has passed both intermediate examinations with Honors, to a bronze medal.

The diploma of each medallist shall certify to his being such medallist.

The latest edition of the Curriculum contains an the Rules of the Law Society which are of importance to students, together with the necessary forms, as well as the Statutes respecting Barristers and Solicitors, the Matriculation Cuti riculum, and all other necessary information.

Students can obtain copies on application to the Secretary of the Law Society or the Principal of the Law School.
THE LAW SCHOOL CURRICULUM. mest year. Contracts.
Smith on Contracts. Anson on Contracts. Real Property.
Williams on Real Property, Leith's edition. Deane's Principles of Conveyancing. Commest Laze.
Broom's Common Lav.
Kerr's Student's Blackstone, Books 1 and 3. Equity.
Snell's Principles of Equity. Statutc Law.
Such Acts and parts of Acts relating to each of the above subjects as shall be prescribed ly the Principal.

SECOND YEAR. Criminal hotro.
Kerr's Student's Blackstone, Dook 4.
Harris's Principles of Criminal Law. Real l'roperty.
Kerr's Student's Blackstone, Book 2.
Leith © Smith's Blackstone.
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Williams on Personal Property. Contritits.
Leake on Contracts. Torts.
Bigelow on Turts-English Edition. Equity.
H. A. Smith's Principles of Equity. Evidente.
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Canadian Constitutional History and Lazu. Bourinot's Manual of the Constitutional History of Canada.
O'Sullivan's Government in Canada. Practice and Procedure.
Statutes, Rules, and Orders relating to the jurisdiction, pleading, practice, and procedure of the Courts.

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Such Acts and parts of Acts relating to the above subjects as shall be prescribed by the

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third year. Contracts.
Leake on Contracts. Neal Property.
Clerke \& Humphrey on Siles of Land. Hawkins on Wills.
Armour on Titles. Crimital Laze.
Harris's Principles of Criminal Law.
Criminal Statutes of Canada.
Equity.
Undernill on Trusts.
Kelleher on Specific Performance.
De Colyar on Guarantees.

Toris.
Pollock on Torts.
Smith on Negligence, znd ed.
Evidente.
Best on Evidence.
Commervial Latio.
${ }^{-}$Benjamin on Sales.
Smith's Mercantile Law.
Chalmers on Bills.
Priviate International Law.
Westlake's Private International Law.
Construction and Operation of Statutes.
Hardcastle's construction and effect of Statutory Law.
Ganadian Constitutional Law.
British NorthAmerica Act and cases thereunder. Practice and Procedure.
Statutes, Rules, and Crders relating to the jurisdiction, pleading, practice, and procedure of Courts. Statute Lant.
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## THE LAW SOCIETY CURRICULUM.

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Books and Subjec's prescrited for Examinations of Students amt Clerks wholly or part'y ex. empt from attendance at the Lave School.

## SECOND INTERMEDIATE.*

Leith's Blackstone, and edition; Greenwood on Conveyancing, chaps, on Agreements. Sales, Purchases, Leases, Mortgages, and Wills; Snell's Equity; Broom's Common Law; Williams on Personal Property; O'Suilivan's Manual of Government in Canada. and edition; the Ontario Judicature Act; R.S.O., 1887, cap. 44; the Rules of Practice, 1888, and Revised Statutes of Ontario, chaps. 100, 110, 143.

## FOR CERTIFICATE OF FITNESS.

Armour on Titles; Taylor's Equ'ty Jurisprudence; Hawkins on Wills; Smith's Mercastile Law; Benjamin on Sales; Smith on Contracts; the Statute Law and Meading and Practice of the Courts.

> FOR CALL.

Blackstone, Vol. I., containing the introduction and rights of $\mathcal{Y}$ ersons; Pollock on Contracts; Story's Equity Jurisprudence; Theobald on Wills: Harris's Principles of Criminal Law; Broom's Common Law, Books III. and IV.; Dart on Vendors and l'urchasers; Best on Evidence; Byles on Bills, and Statute Law, and Pleadings and Practice of the Courts.

Candidates for the Final Examinations are subject to re-examination on the subjects of the Intermediate Examiations. All other requisites for obtaining Certificates of Fitness and for Call are continued.

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