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Commissioners—The Chief Justice of Appeal, and the Judges of the Court of Queen's Bench, Chancery, and Common Pleas. Their duties are to determine claims to lands in the Province of Ontario, for which no patent has issued from the Crown, in favor of the proper claimants, whether as heirs, devisees or assignees. *Clerk*—William B. Heward.

COUNTY COURTS.

Their jurisdiction is similar to the Court of Queen's Bench, but is limited in amount, and does not include cases involving the title to lands (with the exception of actions of ejectment in specified cases), validity of wills, or actions for libel, crim. con., or seduction. An appeal lies in certain cases to either of the Superior Courts of law.

INSOLVENCY COURTS.

These Courts regulate all proceedings respecting assignments for the benefit of creditors, the winding up of the estates of insolvent debtors, &c. They are established in each County, and presided over by the County Judges.

SURROGATE COURTS.

There is a Surrogate Court in each County, which grants probate or administration, and

has testamentary jurisdiction subject to an appeal to the Court of Chancery. The County Judge presides. There is a Registrar to each Court, besides the *Surrogate Clerk* (Sir James Lukin Robinson), who is an officer of the Court of Chancery.

COURTS OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Chairman—The County Judge in each County, who, with one or more Justices of the Peace, holds a Court of General Sessions in his County twice a year (except in the County of York, where three Courts will be held in the year, for trials by jury in cases of felony and misdemeanor, and for the decision of appeals from summary convictions of magistrates).

COUNTY JUDGES, CRIMINAL COURTS.

Any person charged with an offence for which he might be tried at a Court of General Sessions of the Peace, may, with consent, obtain a speedy trial out of Sessions before the Judge alone.

DIVISION COURTS.

For the summary disposal of cases by the County Judge; but a jury of five persons may be demanded in certain cases. Their jurisdiction embraces, with several exceptions, all actions of debt or contract amounting to \$100, and torts to \$40. These Courts have a limited jurisdiction to replevin, and power to garnish debts. Each judicial district is divided into Court divisions, and Courts are held once in two months in each Division, or oftener, in the discretion of the Judge.

QUEBEC.

COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH.

JUDGES.

Hon. Jean F. Duval, Chief Justice,

Putsne Judges.

Hon. René E. Caron. Hon. L. T. Drummond. Hon. W. Badgley, Hon. Samuel C. Monk.

APPEAL SIDE.

MONTREAL.—11th to 22nd of March, June, September and December.

QUEBEC.—1st to 8th of March, June, September and December.

CROWN SIDE.

Where Held.

When Held.

Quebec.....27th April and October.
Montreal.....24th March and 24th Sept.
Three Rivers.....8th April and 9th October.
Sherbrooke.....1st April and 11th October.
Kamouraska.....5th April and 21st Nov.
Aylmer.....21st January and 1st July.
Percé.....13th March and 13th Aug.
New Carlisle.....13th Feb'y. and 13th July.
Arthabaskaville. 19th Feb'y. and 4th Nov.
Beauce.....20th June and 20th Oct.
Montmagny.....25th March and 25 Nov.
Beauharnois.....22nd March and 29th Nov.
St. Hyacinthe.....1st May and 1st Dec.
St. John.....22nd May and 12th Dec.
St. Scholastique. 7th January and 2nd July.