

## FLEW THE IRISH FLAG.

**Green Banner Displayed at the Parliament Buildings—Mr. Foy's Bill—Provincial Appointments.**

The Irish flag flew from the flagstaff at the Legislative buildings in Queen's Park on Saturday morning, and flaunted bravely in company with the Union Jack. Messenger James Robertson had the honor of hoisting the first Irish flag displayed on the buildings. All the civil servants and employees wore a sprig of shamrock on their lapel.

Mr. Foy has a bill to amend the Division Courts act. It provides that where it is desired to appeal from a Division Court judgment the application for a new trial shall be made to a separate Judge. At present it frequently happens that litigants have to apply for leave to appeal from the Judge who gave the verdict against them.

Ralph Piper of Pelee Island has been made bailiff of the second, third and fifth Division Courts of the County of Essex. Ernest A. Dickson of the Village of Parkhill has been appointed Clerk of the second Division Court of the County of Middlesex, vice William Dickson, resigned.

The development of the enormous deposits of corundum in eastern Ontario is now in a fair way to be entered upon. Mr. A. Blue, Director of the Bureau of Mines, Saturday received a letter stating that the Canadian Corundum Company had let contracts for the erection of a mill, and for its equipment with machinery to treat corundum ores on properties acquired in the Counties of Hastings and Renfrew, and the company hopes soon to be ready for business. The organization of the company was begun last year, but, some delay ensuing, the above contracts were not made until recently. It had at first a capital of \$250,000, which was subsequently increased to a million and a half. The agreement with the Government provides for the expenditure of \$50,000 before January 1, 1901. They have also to provide machinery capable of treating 100 tons of corundum rock per day. One of the largest manufacturing establishments in the United States has offered to take over the whole output of the works up to 3,000 tons of corundum per year. The works will likely be established in the Township of Raglan, Renfrew County.

Mr. Campbell, good roads instructor, has received word that the Township of Sydney, County of Hastings, has decided to commute statute labor at 75 cents per day. This is the thirty-fourth township in the Province to take this step.