

London, and cases not heard in London are tried by judges who go from the metropolis to hold the circuits, and then return to London. The Lord Chief Justice, in his address at Montreal, referred to the great prominence of lawyers in the Canadian parliament. This is because lawyers in every constituency are most actively engaged in local affairs of importance. And when we consider the vast extent of the Dominion, and the number of the constituencies, it is not surprising that the list of Queen's Counsel should make a great advance after every general election.

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The splendid address of Lord Russell on International law and arbitration, concluded in the present issue, reveals to those who were ignorant of it, the remarkable ability of the gentleman now holding the distinguished position of Lord Chief Justice of England. No doubt, his studies and labours in connection with the Behring Sea Arbitration were an aid in the preparation of this paper, but much has been added. Every portion of it claims the attention and arouses the interest of the reader. We may be inclined at first sight to feel a little disappointed that his lordship is unable to express a more sanguine and a more confident view of the future of arbitration as a mode of settling international differences. But the Lord Chief Justice is too clear-sighted and too honest to claim more for it than the present state of the world justifies—to cry peace when there is no peace immediately in sight. A calm judicial tone pervades the composition, but at times there shines through it the glow of an eloquence kept in check. If well heeded, this address cannot fail to work good, to awaken the conscience of those who control nations, and the world may hereafter have reason to be grateful for it, and the American Bar Association to be proud that it afforded an opportunity for its delivery.