

of details in connection with the work. There was no special reason why the lawyer should be chosen for this particular line unless it be due to the general belief that he can adapt himself to any kind of work. The fact remains that from the beginning of the war to the end, no matter what work was in hand the lawyer was invariably saddled with a very large portion of it. If it happened to be of a professional character he, of course, was expected to render his services gratis. If it entailed a trip to the country or a neighbouring town there was rarely any provision for the payment of his expenses. While his living expenses had doubled, his fees remained the same until a late hour when a portion were increased by 20%. He rarely complained that he was bearing more than his share of the burden and may tender me no thanks for now commenting upon the fact.

"Upon the whole we may well congratulate ourselves upon the fact that the legal profession had, from the inception of the war, a clear and intelligent grasp of the situation and of the demands made upon every citizen of Canada and that they arose to the occasion and answered those demands in full. We need have no fear that the noble traditions and splendid record of the profession established during the period of the war will be maintained by the students now in attendance at the Law School. Among those now enrolled there are no less than 200 who wear the coveted overseas button.

"To single out for especial comment a few members of the profession is a very difficult task. Our natural inclination is to make our selection from those who made the supreme sacrifice. If we were to call the roll of the Law Society to-day no response would come from 110 of our members over whose graves the "Last Post" has been sounded. Each is worthy of individual notice, and I hope a complete record of every member of the Society who laid down his life for the Empire and the great issues at stake in the war will be secured and preserved among our archives. I cannot, however, conclude this brief resumé of the war effort of the Law Society without recalling the names of a few of our members who so worthily represented us in our overseas forces. There is no pretence that the list presented by me includes all of those whose prominence in the profession or brilliant military record entitles them to especial mention. Quite naturally I have selected those whose names are most familiar to me or whose records have been most prominently brought to my notice. It is quite certain, but unavoidable, that many others just as worthy of individual notice have been passed over. My object is, not to discriminate, but to place on record in this report brief sketches