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The question of increasing judicial salaries has once more been brought before Parliament. The augmentation proposed is a moderate one, being an addition of \$1,000 per annum to the city judges, and \$500 to those resident in the country districts. There ought not to be any opposition to this proposal. Considering the time which has elapsed since the last adjustment of salaries, it is really no increase at all, but merely an adjustment of figures to correspond with the changed value of money. It is not clear yet, however, whether the amended scale can be carried. Perhaps there would not be so much opposition, if the understanding that judges shall confine themselves to their judicial duties were more faithfully and generally observed.

The number of applications to the legislature for bills admitting individuals to the professions seems to be on the increase. At present there are five such applications pending at Quebec for admission to the practice of law; four for admission to the medical profession, and one for admission to the practice of dentistry. As regards the legal profession, the General Council of the Bar would