

The following letter has been received by the editor of this journal from Rt. Hon. Lord Alverstone, K.C.M.G., Lord Chief Justice of England. Lord Alverstone had exceptional opportunities of estimating Mr. Robinson's character, and so appreciative a tribute from one occupying such an exalted position cannot but be most grateful to Mr. Robinson's family and personal friends, as well as to the members of the profession and the people of this Dominion who valued him so highly. The letter is as follows:—

Royal Courts of Justice,

LONDON, January 29, 1906.

SIR,—I have read with the deepest interest the touching and appreciative notice in the *Canada Law Journal* of the late Christopher Robinson. I venture to send you a few lines which will I trust be of interest to the Bar and people of Canada. The high appreciation of Mr. Robinson's learning, ability and judgment was shared by all the members of the English Bar (and they were numerous) with whom he came in contact either as a colleague or an opponent.

I first met him in connection with appeals to the Privy Council; but, in the year 1892, it was my privilege to be intimately associated with him in the preparation of the British case on the Behring Sea Arbitration. In this work Mr. Robinson and I had the honour of supervising the drafts of Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper and the late Dr. George Dawson, another of Canada's greatest sons, alas too early called away.

From the first I discovered the extraordinary value of Mr. Robinson's profound and varied knowledge of the law and of his ripe judgment. Later in the course of the proceedings on the preparation of the counter case and written argument and the oral conduct of the case in Paris, Sir Charles Russell, who, as Attorney-General to Mr. Gladstone's Government, had succeeded to the position of leading counsel, often expressed to me the opinion that Robinson's assistance was invaluable. On more than one occasion when Sir Charles Russell and I could not see