

ANOTHER SUPREME COURT

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I want to protest in the first place about it being said that I have "come all the way from Canada" in order to speak to you. I can leave Toronto at 5.20 in the afternoon, and I can get here before noon the next day. When I was on the trial bench, very frequently I used to go up to part of the Province of Ontario (from which I come), eleven hundred miles away from Toronto (to Washington cannot be more than five or six hundred miles); I would leave Toronto at noon, and I would arrive at my destination two days thereafter. So, when you talk about "coming all the way," you forget that Canada, as well as Washington, is a place of magnificent distances.

At the first meeting of the Society in 1910, Mr. Alpheus Henry Snow read an interesting paper on the "Development of the American Doctrine of Jurisdiction of Courts over States." Premising by saying that "the American Colonists regarded the Colonies as commonwealths and free states," he went on to state that "they believed that the settlement of disputes between States