

Sir John Simon, K.C.V.O., K.C., delivered the Annual Address of the Association, taking as his subject "The Vocation of an Advocate." The Rt. Hon. Mr. Justice Duff occupied the chair, and, at the conclusion of Sir John's address, Mr. Aime Geoffrion, K.C., of Montreal, moved a vote of thanks and also proposed that Sir John should be made an honorary member of the Association, which was adopted by a standing vote.

At the morning session on the 8th, the Association was honoured by a visit from His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada, Lord Byng of Vimy.

Eloquent addresses of welcome to his Excellency were made, on behalf of the Association, by two distinguished members of the Bar who had served under him in France, Major F. G. Taylor, K.C., D.S.O., M.L.A., of Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, and Captain Adolphe Mailhiot, K.C., of Montreal. Major Taylor alluded to the fact that more than 70% of the membership of the Law Society in his Province had served with the colours during the War, and he had no doubt the records of the other Provinces were equally good. Captain Mailhiot, who spoke in French, related some amusing incidents of service at the Front. Both speakers made enthusiastic reference to the service of the new Governor-General. His Excellency in reply expressed the hope that, since he had been "sized up" favourably by the splendid citizens of Canada who served under him in France, he trusted he would be equally fortunate when "sized up" by the people at home. He expressed his regret that engagements that had been made for him had prevented his earlier visiting the Association. He said that the meetings of the Association, attended by distinguished representatives from the Mother Country and from the United States as well as from all the Provinces of Canada, were of the greatest benefit in bringing about the better understanding and more cordial relationship between the branches of the English speaking family, which all peace loving citizens must earnestly desire.

Mr. O. M. Biggar, K.C., read an excellent paper on "The