

## Courts and Practice.

The following resolutions were passed at the Annual Meeting of the delegates from the County Law Library Associations of the Province of Ontario recently held at Toronto:—

That the abolition of enforced qualifications for legal practitioners would not be in the interests of the general public.

That solicitors and counsel be permitted to make contracts with their clients as to the amount of remuneration for professional services either in addition to or in lieu of the tariff.

That the circuit allowance to High Court judges should be fixed at a suitable amount of not less than ten dollars per day and expenses for each sitting, and that a preemptory list be prepared for each day of the sittings containing not more than three cases.

That Rules of Practice when passed should take effect at a future day, and should be at once printed and mailed to all solicitors, so as to reach them before the Rules take effect.

That the Dominion and Ontario Governments be requested to furnish each legal practitioner with one copy of each volume of statutes, and that provision be made to have the ordinary Public Acts not take effect until distributed.

That the powers of local judges should be extended in respect of infants and lunatics, so as to enable the legal business connected with their estates and persons to be transacted in the counties in which they reside.

That the payment of fees in stamps or otherwise to all officers of the Courts should not be required from parties to litigation or collected by solicitors, but should be paid out of the general revenue of the Province.

That every solicitor bringing or defending an action in any county must have a booked agent in the county town.

That the Surrogate Court tariff should be revised and allowances increased, and should provide for the allowance of costs to solicitors and counsel representing parties interested other than the executor or administrator upon the passing of accounts, and that the Surrogate judges should be given a discretion in all cases to allow counsel fees to counsel for all parties appearing upon the passing of accounts.

That, whereas (here follows a recital of the reasons for the resolution) the municipal legislation of the Province should be all grouped into one well considered Act, or the municipal law be codified with the assistance of a number of municipal officers accustomed to putting municipal law in operation.