

*Banking and Currency*, by ERNEST SYKES, B.A., Oxon., with introduction by F. E. Steele, Fellow of the Institute of Bankers. London: Butterworth & Co., 12 Bell Yard, Temple Bar, 1904.

This little volume is intended mainly as a text book for students; and useful as well to those who are connected with banking institutions, giving as it does a broad outline of those branches of business and finance with which a banker is chiefly concerned. It would be well if all banks were to require their clerks to pass an examination in the contents of such a book as this.

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PROCEEDINGS OF LAW SOCIETIES.

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HAMILTON LAW ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting of the Hamilton Law Association was held Jan. 10. The Trustee's Report shews a membership of 70, a Library of 4,125 volumes, of which 137 were added during the year. The Inspector of County Libraries in his report for 1904 says: "It is hardly necessary to mention that this Library continues to be a model for all others. In the past year the Association sustained a severe loss in the death of Edward Martin, Esq., K.C., who for sixteen years held the office of President.

The following officers were elected for 1905: President, F. MacKelcan, K.C.; Vice-President, S. F. Lazier, K.C.; Treasurer,

CARLETON LAW ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting was held on the 21st ult. The report shewed its affairs to be in a very satisfactory condition. The membership now numbers 80, and the number of volumes in the library is 2,391. The following officers were elected: President, J. Bishop; Vice-President, J. F. Orde; Treasurer, F. A. Magee.

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES LAW SOCIETY.

Convocation was held at Calgary on January 9, 10, 11, 1905. Reports were presented by the committees on Finance and Library; Examining and Legislation; and Reporting, Printing and Discipline. The total amount expended by the Society for the various libraries at Calgary, Edmonton, McLeod and Lethbridge, Regina, Moosomin, Prince Albert, Medicine Hat, Yorkton, and Moose Jaw was \$28,738.38. Amongst other business transacted a minute was prepared suggesting amendment to the tariff of fees, and in reference to collecting material for the Territories Law Reports, etc. The following officers were elected: N. D. Beck, K.C., President; E. L. Elwood, Vice-President; C. H. Bell, Regina, Secretary-Treasurer.