

Mr. Osler, having obtained leave, moved that the members of Convocation who are chairmen of the standing committees, comprise a committee to consider and report upon an alteration of the days of meeting of Convocation during the year. Carried, and further ordered that Messrs. Edwards, Britton, Strathy, O'Gara, Clarke and Kerr be added to the Committee, and that Mr. Osler be convener.

Convocation then rose.

TUESDAY, May 19.

Present : The Treasurer and Messrs. Bell, Macdougall, Strathy, Hogg, Bayly, Clarke, Britton, Osler, Kerr, Riddell and Douglas.

The question of the appointment of an auditor was ordered to stand until next meeting.

Mr. Aylesworth's motion to amend the rule (No. 100) defining the officials to whom the reports are furnished by the Society, was ordered to stand until next meeting.

Convocation then rose.

SATURDAY, May 23.

Present: The Treasurer and Messrs. Osler, Moss, Riddell, Gibbons, Bruce, Watson, Aylesworth and Shepley.

Ordered that the following gentlemen be entered as students-at-law : Messrs. J. C. Brown and G. A. Ferguson of the Graduate Class, and Messrs. L. G. D. Legault, E. S. Beynon, C. W. Moore and F. C. Ridley of the matriculant class.

Ordered that Mr. J. F. J. Cashman, who passed the Law School 3rd Year Examination in Easter, 1895, be called to the Bar and receive his certificate of fitness.

The following report from the Editor of the Reports in respect of the progress of the reporting, was presented by the Reporting Committee :

"The work of reporting is in a forward state. In the Court of Appeal, all judgments up to March have been published, and of the thirteen judgments of that month ten have been revised and the others are ready for revision. In the High Court, Mr. Harman has ten unpublished judgments, all of April. Mr. Lefroy has fourteen, two of March, ready ; one of April and one of May. Mr. Boomer has three, one of 28th February, delayed to ascertain as to appeal, but now ready ; one of April and one of May. Mr. Brown has ten, one of 28th February, ready to issue ; three of March, four of April and two of this month. Of the Practice cases there are eleven, six of March ready to issue, and awaiting a sufficient quantity to make up a number, and five of April. The Digest is also well advanced, three-fourths of it are in type, and more than one-half has been struck off the press. I see no reason to doubt that it will be ready to issue during Vacation."

Mr. Watson, from the Finance Committee, reported a letter received from the City Clerk of the City of Toronto, dated 10th March, 1896, asking the Benchers to throw open the grounds in front of Osgoode Hall for the use of the public, the receipt of which the Secretary had already acknowledged.

The Secretary was directed to inform the City Clerk that the Benchers consider it inexpedient to comply with the request.

Mr. Watson from the same Committee reported :—

"That it appears that certain gentlemen who are duly qualified solicitors, and are, it is stated, employed as salaried clerks by firms of solicitors, do not pay, and have not been in the habit of paying the annual fees for certificates as practising solicitors. The Secretary was directed to communicate with these gentlemen, and in answer to his letters several of the gentlemen in question advanced reasons for the position they had taken. The Committee is of opinion that if a satisfactory test case to determine the liability can be arranged, the Society may properly pay the fee of counsel acting on behalf of the parties who dispute their liability, and they submit for the information of Convocation the correspondence in connection with the case."