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PROCEEDINGS AT FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The fifth annual meeting of the Canadian Bar Association was held at the Chateau Laurier, Ottawa, on the first three days of September, 1920.

This was the most important, and perhaps the most interesting meeting of the Association which has as yet been held. It was very largely attended, and all the arrangements, carefully prepared under the supervision of the President, Sir James Aikins, K.C., Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba, were carried out in a manner which reflected the greatest credit upon all concerned. The President secured the attendance of several notable personages from other countries, notably, Rt. Hon. Viscount Cave, a member of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council; Hon. W. H. Taft, ex-President of the United States; Sir Auckland Geddes, British Ambassador to the United States; Hon. H. B. F. Macfarland, Washington, D.C., U.S.A.; Hon. W. H. Wadhams, President New York Bar Association, and others.

Much valuable work of a practical character was done which will bear fruit, we doubt not, in our legislation in the future. The formation of this important gathering of the profession is now amply justified, and this must be peculiarly gratifying to the President of the Association.

The success which has attended it, the high position it has attained, its usefulness in legislation, its pleasant helpfulness in drawing members of our profession together (no easy matter in this widespread Dominion), and the welding of all together into something now gradually becoming a harmonious body with increasing *esprit de corps*—must fairly and be mainly attributed to the untiring energy, dogged perseverance, and the intelligent and kindly leadership of Sir James Aikins. It will be remembered as part of his life's work, well and ably done.