

Pacific Ocean. A realization of this may have dampened the ardour of many who might have been expected to have taken a more active part in the activities of the Association.

The attendance of the profession at this meeting was most satisfactory. In addition to the many eminent names which appear hereafter there were about 330 members of the Dominion Bar present, the representation being from all the Provinces. Naturally there was a large attendance of the Western men, but New Brunswick had ten, with one from the far East, Prince Edward Island.

The Association, through its committees, has been doing excellent practical work. For instance, in its effort to secure unification of the law relating to bankruptcy, and also in reference to fire insurance conditions, sales of goods, etc. At the first annual meeting of the Association in 1915, it took up the question of insolvency. Interest was continued in this by the Montreal Committee, until the matter was pressed in the House of Commons by Mr. Jacobs, K.C., who introduced a bill. It was not passed in the form in which he introduced it, but it was taken up with the Credit Men's Association; and their legal representative was present at the meeting in Montreal and submitted their proposed bill to the Association. At the last meeting of the Council in Toronto in April, Mr. Eugene Lafleur, K.C., and Mr. S. W. Jacobs, K.C., were asked on behalf of the Association to give their assistance in advising in reference to some of the provisions of the Bill, which they most cordially did. This revised Bill is now in substance chap. 36 of the Dominion Statutes 1919 (9 & 10 Geo. V.).

While the Association continues its committee on uniformity of law, it suggested the appointment of Provincial Commissioners to deal with the subject. Most of the Provinces have concurred and appointed, either under special legislation or general executive authority, representative lawyers to meet in conference. The first working conference was held in Winnipeg on the day before the annual meeting of the Bar Association, and continued its sessions at intervals during the meeting. Mr. J. D. Falconbridge is the Recording Secretary of the body and has been giving the subject earnest attention.