

*ONTARIO BAR ASSOCIATION.*

A delegation from this Association were some of the guests of the Lawyers Club of Buffalo on the 10th instant at a reception and a banquet. The reception was given to His Excellency, the Honourable Charles S. Whitman, Governor of the State of New York; the occasion being connected with the Convention about to be held in Albany, N.Y., for the consideration of proposed changes in the constitution of the State of New York. The invited guests to the banquet on that evening were the Governor and members of the convention, Sir George C. Gibbons, K.C., Honorary-President of the Ontario Bar Association and members thereof, Sir James Aikins, K.C., President of the Dominion Bar Association; Mr. Justice W. R. Riddell, the Mayor of Toronto, and others.

After the reception the Club entertained those of their guests who were able to attend at the banquet, in the Genesee House, at which were present also a large number of the Bar of Buffalo and surrounding cities, in all about two hundred.

The speaker of the evening was Dr. J. G. Schurman, President of Cornell University, who, by the way, is a native of Prince Edward Island. This eminent educationist delivered an eloquent and instructive address on subjects which are coming before the Convention, of which he is a prominent member. He referred amongst other things to the mode of appointing judges and other matters, in which we in this country, as well as our brethren in the United States, are interested. He hinted at possible changes in the direction of the practice existing in England and in this country. Other addresses were delivered by the Governor and other well-known members of the Bar of New York State.

The delegates present from the Ontario Bar Association were Sir George Gibbons, K.C., Honorary President; W. J. McWhinney, K.C., President; and R. J. MacIsaac, Secretary of the Ontario Bar Association; also Henry O'Brien, K.C., H. H. Dewar, K.C., W. C. Mikel, K.C., A. Munro Grier, K.C., J.