

of about 50%, your Committee regrets that in other Provinces the authorities have not yet done so. Your Committee would recommend that this Association give this matter its fullest support in Provinces where an adequate increase has not been made.

### 3. MARRIAGE CONTRACTS AND DIVORCE.

There has been considerable controversy on the subject of transferring to the jurisdiction in divorce and marriage contracts from the Dominion Parliament to the Provincial Courts and W. F. Nickle, Esq., K.C., M.P., introduced legislation with that object in view—a copy of which is attached to this report—but your Committee deals with the question of principle and strongly advocates that paragraph 7 of the 1918 Report be reaffirmed and that the Association pledge itself to support any legislation making uniform the grounds on which marriages can be annulled or contracting parties divorced and transferring jurisdiction in such matters to the Superior Courts of each Province, and excepting operation of the Act from the Province of Quebec until that Province, by an Act, puts into force the Dominion legislation suggested.

Your Committee further recommends that a Committee be appointed to watch and deal with any legislation that may be introduced in the Dominion House on the question of Divorce. (It was moved and carried that the Committee on the Administration of Justice be the committee to carry out the above work.)

### 4. REPORTS.

Your Committee recommends that the President be requested to appoint a special Committee of this Association to correspond with the respective Law Societies and Provincial Associations in Canada, to consider the matter of reporting and the practicability of the reporting of cases for all Canada, so as to prevent duplicating and overlapping of Reports and to reduce the expense thereof, and that the Committee report its conclusions and recommendations to the Council of the Association, the Council to bring in a report before the next annual meeting of this Association.

Your Committee is strongly of the opinion that the present