

LAW SOCIETY OF UPPER CANADA.

MICHAELMAS TERM, 1896.

TUESDAY, NOV. 17.

Present : Between 10 and 11 a.m. Dr. Hoskin, and Messrs. Bell, Hogg, Britton and Bayly; and in addition, after 11 a.m., Messrs. Martin, Strathy, Edwards, Ritchie, Teetzel, Robinson, Watson, Cuthrie and the Attorney-General, Hon. A. S. Hardy.

Dr. Hoskin, in the absence of the Treasurer, was appointed Chairman.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Ordered that the following gentlemen be called to the Bar, and do receive their certificates of fitness : J. L. Killoran, L. J. Reycraft, and that Mr. P. White, jun., do receive his certificate of fitness.

On motion of Mr. Bayly, seconded by Mr. Martin, ordered that upon a special rule being passed, repealing for this case Rule number 220 requiring notice, etc., prior to call, the application of Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick, a member of the Bar of Quebec for Call to the Bar of this province, be granted, and that upon the production to Convocation of a certificate of Call to the Bar of Quebec, and the testimonials required by sub-sec. 5 of s. 1, R.S.O. 146, Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick, Solicitor-General, be called to the Bar of this province, and that the fees payable upon such call be remitted or waived by the Society.

Moved by Mr. Strathy, seconded by Mr. Bell, that Rule 220, sub-secs. 1 and 3, Rule 222, and that portion of Rule 232, relating to fees in special cases, and any other rule conflicting with the above resolution, be superseded and dispensed with in the case of Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick, Solicitor-General, on his application for call to the Bar of Ontario.

Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick, Solicitor-General, having presented his certificate of Call to the Bar of the Province of Quebec, under the signature of the proper authority, and also the certificate of B. B. Osler, Esq., Q.C., a Benchler, stating that he has known him for eleven years, and that he is a gentleman of good character and conduct, was ordered for call to the Bar of the Province of Ontario, and was called accordingly, and was subsequently presented to the judges of the High Court of Justice.

The letter, dated 1st October, 1896, addressed to the Treasurer, in which the Hon. A. S. Hardy, Attorney-General, stated that he resigned his seat as an elected Benchler, was read. Ordered that the resignation be accepted, and that a special call of the Bench be made for Friday, 4th Dec., for the election of a Benchler in place of Hon. A. S. Hardy.

Ordered that the minutes of the meeting of 18th May, 1896, be amended by the addition of Mr. Riddell's name to the list of Benchlers present.

The complaint of Mr. J. C. Smith against Mr. W. T. Boyd, a solicitor, was read. Ordered that the petition be retained on file, but action deferred until such steps at law be taken as Mr. Smith may be advised.

The complaint of Messrs. Elliot & Elliott against Mr. L. H. Dickson, solicitor, was read. Ordered that they be informed that the matter should be dealt with by the Courts.

The complaint of Mr. Fetherstonhaugh against Mr. C. H. Riches, a patent solicitor, not a member of the legal profession, whose card is inserted in the newspapers under the heading "Patent Barristers," was read. Ordered that the complainant be informed that the Society has no power to deal with the matter.

The petition of Mrs. Jeannie McDonald, who was the complainant in the petition against Mr. John A. Robinson and Mr. C. C. Grant, asking for an allowance by Convocation of a sum on account of the expenses incurred by her in the prosecution of her complaint, was read. Ordered that the petition be not granted.