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We are glad to see that the Attorney-General of Ontario has withdrawn his bill for increasing the County Courts' jurisdiction. In doing so he explained the reasons which influenced him. They were similar to the views expressed in these pages when speaking of this subject in our last issue. He did not consider it necessary or desirable to appoint a royal commission, but thought that possibly some Dominion legislation might be necessary to carry out parts of a general scheme which he would take time to consider. The profession is indebted to the Attorney-General for his courteous attention to their representations in this matter. There will now be ample time to see what, if any, change is desirable. The subject is a very large one, and any change, though it might seem simple in itself, would involve consequences in connection with other matters, and so would require careful consideration.

We publish elsewhere a list of the Benchers of the Law Society of Upper Canada recently elected. Those who have been left off, not speaking of vacancies caused by death, are Messrs. Bell, Edwards and McDougall. The new Benchers are Messrs. Glenn, White, Foy, McPherson, McKay and Lynch-Staunton. It will be seen therefore that very little change has been made in the old list. Quite apart from any question as to whether this list was a satisfactory one, it is undoubtedly true that there are many men not on that list who are quite as much, and more, entitled to the distinction than some who have been there. All this points to the desirability of giving a freer choice, by having nominations made, as we have already suggested. There should not be, as there is in fact now, a canvass made by the retiring Benchers for their re-election, by the very simple but effectual process of sending, as is now required, a list of the retiring Benchers to the whole profession. This should cease, and nominations should be sent in to the Secretary, who should then send to those entitled to vote the list of names on the nomination papers. This is what is done in connection with