

Almost as strong was the recommendation to establish a permanent circuit list for the trial of all cases in the High Court, with the necessary rearrangement of the sittings of the Divisional Courts. While we feel gratified that the judges have so far recognized the labours of the Committee as to have adopted nearly all their suggestions, we regret that in framing the Rules they have not adopted either of these recommendations, which the Trustees now lay before the Association for consideration.

The Trustees have aided so far as they could in urging upon Parliament the important question of raising the judicial salaries, which are now most inadequate, and it is earnestly to be hoped that the efforts made in this direction may meet with some measure of success.

The present efficient state of the library is due to the labours of the librarian, whose systematic plan of keeping the reports noted up has proved most valuable, especially at *Nisi Prius*. No book has ever been lost from the library.

The daily attendance in the library is large, and its usefulness is now well recognized. 159 volumes have been added during the year.

Two members of the Association, Mr. W. G. Falconbridge, Q.C., and Mr. Hugh MacMahon, Q.C., were promoted to the Bench during the year.

The Trustees have to record, with regret, the death of one member during the year, Mr. G. D'Arcy Boulton, Q.C.

At the date of the last Annual Report the Association numbered 216 members. Forty-four new members have subscribed for stock during the year. One member, Mr. Allan McNab, has withdrawn from the Association. There are now 256 members of the Association.

Two further donations of portraits have been promised to the Association, one by Mr. Ritchie, Q.C., and the other by Mr. Shepley, and it is hoped that members of the Association will contribute, from time to time, portraits of the judiciary of the Province.

The Historian of the Association hopes soon to publish his "Lives of the Judges."

The particulars required by the By-Laws accompany this report, being—

1. The names of the forty-four members admitted during the year.
2. The names of the 256 members at the date of this report.
3. A list of the books contained in the library.
4. A list of books added to the library during the year.
5. A list of periodicals received during the year.
6. A detailed statement of the assets and liabilities of the Association at the date of the report, and of receipts and disbursements during the year.

The Treasurer's accounts have been duly audited, and the Report of the Auditors will be submitted to you for your approval.

A copy of the Report of the Inspector of County Law Libraries upon the library of this Association accompanies this report.

B. B. OSLER, *President*.

WALTER BARWICK, *Treasurer*.

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