The rumour comes from Ottawa that after the present sittings Mr. Justice Armour will retire from the Supreme Court Bench. His health, it is said, has not been good. If this be so, it is much to be regretted. His presence in our highest Court was felt to be a great source of strength, and it would be difficult to fill his place there. We trust there may be nothing in this rumour, and that he may be able to continue there as well as to give his service to the country on the Alaskan Boundary Commission.

The profession will cordially agree with us in wishing Mr. Justice Robertson many years of happiness in his retirement. There are now two vacancies in the Ontario Bench. We trust they will be promptly filled, and that the best available material, without regard to class or politics will be made use of. A strict compliance with the wishes of the country at large in this direction would tend more to the popularity of the party in power (and therefore be the best policy from a pure party standpoint) than the attempt to appease hungry politicians, or satisfy unwarranted and importunate claims, a course which has in the past too often helped to lower the judicial level.

Since the above was written one of these vacancies will be filled by the appointment of Mr. J. V. Teetzel, K C., of Hamilton. He has been prominent in business affairs and in municipal and political circles there and built up a large practice in his profession. Though not widely known throughout the province as a counsel he enjoys a high reputation in that part of it where he he has practised his profession, which gives promise of a useful judicial career, and we congratulate him upon his appointment. We notice the statement in a leading daily journal that he is to reside in Hamilton, which would be a violation of the provisions of 60 & 61 Vict., c 34, but we are glad to know that the above statement is incorrect and that he will remove to Toronto.