Correspondence.

LAW SOCIETY APPOINTMENTS.

To the Editor of THE CANADA LAW JOURNAL:

Dear Sir,—The ambiguity in the form of the notice in use by the Law Society, when advertising for applications from members of the Bar for any office in its gift, must have struck your readers, or those interested, as being very singular. The following is a skeleton copy of one of such notices:

Applications will be received by the Secretary of the Law Society, at Osgoode Hall, until twelve o'clock noon of . . . day, . . . next, from members of the Bar desirous of being appointed to the office of

No application is to be made to any Bencher on the subject.

J. H. Esten, Secretary Law Society.

From this no one can be certain whether the appointment is in the gift of the Secretary, or of the Society, or the Benchers. And suppose that in the course of time another Secretary, not quite so much like Cæsar's wife, in matters of fair play, as the present incumbent, should be in office; and he should take it into his head to suppress the application of any one distasteful to him, and allow only those in favor to go before the Benchers, the mode of application here required is admirably adapted to any such operation. Again, the warning against applicants speaking to any Bencher "on the subject" can only be partially effectual. How is a breach of it to be detected? Would it not be better to notify intending applicants that their applications should be in writing, addressed to "the Benchers," care of the Secretary, and sent sealed up, to be opened by the Benchers on day of meeting to make appointment, or other day to be appointed for the purpose? I hope, at all events, that the Law Society will have this notice remodelled, so that it will be less objectionable than it is in its present form.

BARRISTER.

Proceedings of Law Societies.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE COUNTY OF YORK LAW ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR 1888.

To the Members of The County of York Law Association:

GENTLEMEN:—The Trustees, in presenting their Third Annual Report to the Association, again take pleasure in reporting that the affairs of the Association are in a prosperous condition. There has been a large addition to the membership during the year, sixty-six new members having subscribed for stock.

Since the last annual meeting, the Report of the Joint Committee of the Law Associations has been embodied in the new Rules of Practice, and since their