

able Chief Justice Sir William Mulock presides, adjourning to the Armouries to witness its first review. I believe at the head of the Rifle Association is the Honourable Featherstone Osler, so long a distinguished member of the late Court of Appeal. A notable supporter of the organization is Sir Glenholme Falconbridge, Chief Justice of the King's Bench, whose encouraging sentiments have met a warm response. Only the other day Lieut.-Col. Stewart received from the hands of the Chief Justice of Ontario, the Hon. Sir William Ralph Meredith, the sword that marks his rank as Commander of the Home Guard in this great city.

At a recent meeting of the Special Committee of our Association having in charge the arrangements for the Annual Meeting, the son of the late Chief Justice of Ontario, Charles A. Moss, prominent in the profession and public life of this city, attended in khaki uniform—a badge of his enlistment as an officer in training for foreign service. Several members of our Association are in the First Canadian Expeditionary Force, and, among our officers, are sires whose sons are serving the Empire in this great war on European soil, and in both the armies and navies of Greater Britain are found sons whose fathers adorn the Bench of this Province, and of the Supreme Court of Canada, one of whom, at least, Naval Lieutenant Victor Brodeur, has been in action on His Majesty's Ship Berwick, on the occasion of the sinking of the German cruiser Spreewald, maintaining the traditions of that Navy whose boast is that its flag has braved a thousand years, the battle and the breeze.

These passing references to activities beyond the realm of law may perhaps be permitted to one like myself still on the Reserve of Officers in His Majesty's Battery of Heavy Artillery at Cobourg, of whose record at this crisis in our history I feel I can be justly proud.

However alluring the topic of war may be, and, no doubt, is, the motto in the British Empire and His Majesty's Dominions beyond the Seas is, I believe, "Business as Usual," and I therefore invite your attention to a few matters that may be deemed noteworthy in the aims, objects and achievements of the Ontario Bar Association.