

Bench and Bar.

CANADIAN BAR ASSOCIATION.

At the recent meeting in Montreal the desire was expressed that there should be a more careful selection from the Bar to fill judicial vacancies. The officers of the Association have been selected with the thought of getting the best men for all prominent positions. In this connection the Government is to be congratulated upon the appointment of Mr. P. B. Mignault, K.C., Vice-President of the Association, to the Supreme Court. The appointment is an admirable one in itself. This is also evidenced by his occupying the honourable position of a Vice-President of the Canadian Bar Association.

Similar remarks apply to the appointment of Mr. J. E. Martin, K.C., another member of the Association, to the Quebec judiciary.

The Association has suffered a great loss by the death of Mr. T. S. McMorran, of Regina. He took an active and most intelligent interest in the proceedings of the Association at the Montreal meeting.

APPOINTMENTS TO OFFICE.

Rt. Hon. Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, K.C.M.G., P.C., to be Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec, vice Sir Pierre Evrard LeBlanc, deceased. (Oct. 21.)

Hon. Sir Louis Henry Davies, K.C.M.G., P.C., one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of Canada, to be Chief Justice of that Court, vice Rt. Hon. Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, resigned. (Oct. 23.)

Pierre Basile Mignault, K.C., to be a Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Canada, vice Sir Louis Henry Davies, who has been appointed Chief Justice. (Oct. 23.)

English exchanges speak with much regret of the death of Mr. Justice Neville and with much appreciation of the appointment of Lord Justice Pickford to the Presidency of the Probate, Divorce and Admiralty Division. The death of Lord Robson, who was for a short time in the final Court of Appeal, and of Sir Samuel Evans, President of the Prize Court, is also announced.