

Province. In connection with this it has been suggested to get over the difficulty by appointing a peripatetic staff of examiners and lecturers to go on circuit, and deliver lectures at the county towns or certain centres; let the lecturers conduct examinations on the subject of their lectures; attach scholarships to the lectures, allotting, say, two hundred dollars as a scholarship at each place where lectures are delivered, in this way the student would have the greatest possible inducement to attend the lectures at the smallest possible expense to himself.

Another plan would be to direct that the lectures delivered in Toronto be printed and distributed free to all students; to make the attendance at the lectures compulsory to Toronto students only, and to allow all students to compete at the examinations on the lectures and win the scholarships if they can. So much for legal education.

The Society, all must admit, has done excellent work in collecting at Osgoode Hall, at great expense, the best law library in the Dominion, which is used to an enormous extent by the judges, barristers, solicitors, and last, but not least, by the students. It has established branch libraries in twelve of the county towns, including the Court House library at Toronto. It has also compiled, published and distributed to the judges, and profession generally, all the reports of all the superior courts of the Province. It compiles and publishes, every three years, a digest of all the reports, and publishes early notes of all the cases fortnightly in *THE CANADA LAW JOURNAL* and *Canadian Law Times*.

The best proof that the legal education of the students is not neglected is the fact that every judge on the bench obtained his preliminary training as a student of the Law Society; that many of the leading counsel in Ontario have distinguished themselves in the argument of most important cases before the Judicial Committee of the House of Lords, and in so doing have compared most favourably with the leading counsel of England; Canadian law students have distinguished themselves in the United States; notably so John D. Lawson, the author of several text-books of repute, on Presumptive Evidence, on Carriers, and other subjects, and that some of the leading members of the Ontario Bar hold the most important positions in the Government, not only of the Province, but of the Dominion. These facts speak for themselves, and prove that the practical training obtained by Ontario Law students produces men on the bench and at the bar who are an honour to the Province of Ontario and to the Law Society of Upper Canada.

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