

that the income in the meantime might be applied towards the object indicated.

"Let me express the hope that others by life membership fees or gifts may add to such a fund, so that there will be accumulated a large endowment fund from which there will be a sufficient income with ordinary membership fees and contributions to carry on the work of the Association efficiently and amply.

"Yours truly,

"J. A. M. Aikins."

On behalf of the Council, the following resolution was moved by the Honorary Treasurer, Mr. George F. Henderson, K.C., of Ottawa, and seconded by the Hon. Mr. Justice Orde, who, from the formation of the Association in 1914 until his appointment to the Bench in 1920, served as Honorary Treasurer:

"Resolved: That the munificent offer of Sir James Aikins to donate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars to the Association as a foundation of an Endowment Fund be accepted with an earnest expression of the desire of the members of the Council that Sir James will believe that they appreciate to the full the great importance, not only to the members of the Association, but also to the Dominion of Canada, of the fulfilment of the vision indicated in his letter. The work that he has already done in bringing the Association to its present stage is without precedent in the records of similar organizations. The successful formation of the Canadian Bar Association would in any event have stood as a perpetual memorial of Sir James Aikins' devotion to his profession and to his country. The generosity so strikingly exhibited by his present gift only serves the more fully to show to his professional brethren how great and deep that devotion is. On their behalf we can do no more than endeavour to convey to him our sincere and heartfelt thanks and gratitude and to say that we earnestly trust that the Association will prove itself worthy of all that he has done for it."

This resolution was enthusiastically adopted by a standing vote of the first session of the Association's meeting. In connection with the suggestion in the last paragraph of Sir James' letter, it may be mentioned that in the by-laws adopted for the Association provision is made whereby