

the profession have contributed large sums out of their own pockets in addition.

It is a matter of surprise that more associations have not been brought into existence, looking to the liberal terms with which they would now be treated by the parent society at the outset, not only by way of loan, as provided in the rules of the Society, but in the further concession of a proportion (not more than two-thirds) of the charges for telephone service, where the members of an association do not exceed one hundred in number, in addition to the payment also of a proportion (not more than half) of the salary of the librarian of any Law Association [The maximum grant under the rule not to exceed \$200.] This liberal allowance goes a long way towards meeting the salary of the librarian, which would leave the balance of the money available from other sources for the equipment of the library in other respects.

It will readily be seen, therefore, that great advances have been made in the development of Law Associations since the inception of the scheme, not only by way of increased initiatory grants, but by the advancing, in some cases, of sums of money by way of loans, repayable to the Law Society, *without interest* [by being deducted from the yearly grants to the borrowing association], and which has been, and must of necessity always be, of incalculable benefit to young Law Associations in equipping the library at the outset. In addition to this, the law has been so framed as to impose the duty upon County Councils of finding and furnishing suitable apartments in the court house for the libraries (55 Vict., cap. 42, sec. 466) ; and, in some cases, the County Councils make small annual grants towards the supplying of stationery, telephone service, etc.

Thus with the timely aid from the Ontario Government, as well as the recognition and assistance which is looked for from the Dominion Government, it may fairly be predicted that from the development which must necessarily follow, there is still a wider field of usefulness in the future for the Law Association of the Province.

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