

and Bar going circuit in that city. For some years past they have given a dinner to the visiting judge, and have in every way endeavoured to make the event a very pleasant one for outside counsel.

It may be well here to remind you that a suggestion has recently been made looking to the preservation of the records of our Bench and Bar by no less a person than Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who, in speaking in Toronto, told us how we ought to prize and preserve the speeches of eminent lawyers such as Edward Blake and the late B. B. Osler. I am glad to say that Mr. Morang, the publisher, to whom Sir Wilfrid publicly made the suggestion, has expressed his interest in the work, and is proposing to take it up, and I bespeak the co-operation of every member of the Bench and Bar in endeavouring to rescue from oblivion these mementoes of the past which we should not willingly let perish. Indeed, I would like this Association to go further and undertake the collection and arrangement not only of memorials, but, before it is too late, something of the wit and wisdom of our Bench and Bar, and secure its publication in one of our law magazines in such a manner that it can ultimately appear in book form. We have not here what they have in England, viz.: a cultivated and somewhat leisure class of briefless barristers, going circuit, whose keen interest in their profession leads them to preserve at all events the quips and jests of the circuit mess. Possibly we might supply their place, at all events in one respect, but the more important part of the work will need active co-operation by the members of the Association as to insure us against the loss of what is always recognized as very precious possession. Mr. Justice Brunelle, of Quebec, at a recent dinner of the Junior Bar of Montreal, urged that they should undertake the publication of a history of the members of the Bench and Bar in the Province of Quebec, with a view of keeping before the minds of the profession what prominent members of the Bar have done in the past to preserve the traditions of their forerunners and their devotion to the duties they had in hand.