

the Provinces of Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Manitoba. The Province of British Columbia on its erection adopted the English method of registration by memorandum of association. The North West Territories also adopted this method which was subsequently changed and the change continued by the Provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan. The Provinces of Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia have lately adopted that procedure. These methods are essentially different in principle, and these differences and their conclusions pervade the details of company organization. Which method should prevail is the subject for discussion. Each has its advantages, and perhaps its disadvantages, but it appears to be in the interest of every one concerned that a uniform method should be adopted, and in the end very little inconvenience would follow the adoption of either method.

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THE APPOINTMENT OF KING'S COUNSEL.

Shortly before the close of 1920 the subject of the appointment of King's Counsel by Provincial Governments came up for discussion.

It would appear that in the Province of Ontario only six patents have been issued since 1910; consequently there has been a pressure from all parts of the Province for further appointments.

There are those who think that the conferring of this distinction has become so meaningless that it might as well be discontinued. However that may be, the Attorney-General took the matter up, and we are glad to know that the same thought came to him as has occurred to others who have the honour and dignity of the Bar at heart; namely: that such an honourable distinction should not be made a political plaything. We can therefore sympathize with him in his laudable effort to have these appointments kept as a recognition of professional eminence and personal worth, and not given for political services.