

provided for the purpose. But lately a learned King's Counsel might have been seen in his robes puffing away at a pipe in his mouth while he paraded the upper quadrangle. The combination of robes and pipe seems a little incongruous to say the least. But if a King's Counsel may smoke freely about the Hall, why not everyone else? Why not smoke in the Courts while waiting for a case? Smokers are often careless, and have occasioned many fires. A fire at Osgoode Hall might have very disastrous and irreparable results, and we think the profession should be careful how they encourage a practice calculated to jeopardise that building. Moreover, having regard to the fitness of things, we think the practice of smoking elsewhere than in the provided places at Osgoode Hall should be discouraged both by the precept and example of the leading members of the profession, and it might well be a standing instruction to all students not to smoke either in the passages or any of the offices of the Courts at Osgoode Hall. There is a smoking room provided. That ought to be sufficient.

Flotsam and Jetsam.

There is much solemn discussion in some of the American legal journals as to whether the President of the United States may leave his own country. It does not strike those whose rulers can go where they like without restraint as of much consequence whether he ought or ought not so to do. He has done it, and he cannot be turned out of office for taking the jaunt. Whether his going out of the United States has been beneficial to the Allies some have doubted, but however that may be, we shall all be glad if England's toil of centuries to protect the freedom of the seas may ensure his safe journey. It is to be hoped that the precedent set by Mr. Wilson in going abroad will be followed by his successors, as there is nothing like travelling in foreign countries to cure insularity and enlarge the vision.