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COUNTY OF FRONTENAC LAW ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR 1891.

The Trustees beg to present their Annual Report for the year 1891.

There are twenty-one members in the Association, and the annual fees, amounting to \$42, have been paid. This amount has been supplemented by the grant from the Law Society of a similar amount, and by a Provincial grant of \$62.50. The whole of these amounts, with the exception of \$7.58, has been expended, and the number of books in the library is now 322.

The Treasurer's Report is herewith submitted, giving a statement of the receipts and expenditure for the year.

An advantage resulting from the formation of associations such as yours lies in the increased facility for the discussion of matters directly affecting the profession, and in the unity of action and consequent greater influence which may be had by the different Associations of the Province to secure any changes in the law or practice which may seem generally desirable.

During the year there were submitted from the Hamilton Association proposed amendments to the Devolution of Estates Act, affecting the disposition of infants' estates. These met with the approval of this Association, and further action to secure the proposed reforms is looked for.

It is satisfactory to note the general interest taken throughout the Province in the movement for the more complete fusion of the courts. This Association expressed its concurrence in the suggestions made by the York Law Association as to the abolition of special circuit sittings for the Chancery Division, and the rearrangement of the sittings of the weekly courts in Toronto. Your trustees hope that legislation will be obtained to secure the object desired.

Again has death come to bring us deep regret. The year 1890 saw us mourn the demise of the late Dr. James A. Henderson, Q.C., then and for many years the president of this Association. Last year the death of the Right Honourable Sir John A. Macdonald had a special interest for the members of the Kingston Bar. He received his legal education in our city, and here for years he practised his profession, and from our ranks he entered that public life in which he was to attain so great distinction. With our resolution of condolence, direction was given that a large photograph of the deceased statesman should be obtained and hung in Judge's Chambers. We would recommend that the memory of our late president, Dr. Henderson, be similarly honoured.

(Sgd.) JAMES AGNEW, *President*.

" WM. MUNDELL, *Sec.-Treas.*

KINGSTON, Mar. 31st, 1892.