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The Law Journal takes pleasure in printing in full in this issue the report of the Committee of the Kentucky Bar Association on “Legal Education and Admission to the Bar.” The endorsement that association gives to Judge Porter’s report is the most encouraging event in recent years for those who believe that the profession of the law requires the highest personal and intellectual standards of those who embrace it.

The Kentucky Bar Association has placed itself squarely behind the recommendations of the American Bar Association. It is generally recognized among lawyers that it is impossible to prepare adequately for admission to the bar in the modern law office, and the suggestion that the rules be revised “so as to prescribe at least a two-year course (three would be better) in a first-class chartered law school” will be widely approved. The requirement of a high school education is indeed a minimum rather than a maximum desideratum, but its adoption would be a distinct advantage over the present rule which lays down no definite educational requirements.

The state of Kentucky is fortunate in that the control of admissions to the bar is vested in the Court of Appeals. It is to be hoped that the Court of Appeals will have the recommendations of the Bar Association promptly called to its attention. The lawyers of the state as well as the great mass of business men whose interests are dependent on a trained bar, will await with interest and confidence the action of the court.