

1 the District Court was made and it was that report that
2 was adopted unanimously, except by one, in a vote of the
3 State Bar Association's Annual Convention in Atlantic City.

4 Now, here is the problem. If you provide that
5 there shall be a trial by jury in every case, as they are
6 now limited, in practical effect, you wreck the system of
7 the lower Courts that you are trying to establish and you
8 wreck them in this way; that if a suit is filed in the lower
9 Court, you can immediately get a transfer by praying a jury
10 trial and there is nothing exclusive then about the juris-
11 diction and, as a matter of fact, the lower Court, the
12 District Court then really becomes nothing but a big mecca
13 for discovery. You get a lot of people to come down there
14 and then you can get a trial de novo in the Circuit Court
15 because of this provision.

16 Now, to meet that point and to preserve the
17 integrity of these lower Courts and to really make them
18 Courts and not just places where people can file suit and
19 then they can be transferred, and so on and so forth,
20 our Committee recommended and the State Bar Association
21 approved the method by which exclusive jurisdiction could