

telligent and convenient summary of the laws affecting us as citizens of the Dominion. To facilitate reference to the statute law, the author has added to each section a complete statutory reference table containing a list of statutes, arranged in the order of subjects dealt with. The marginal notes referring to the matter treated of in the various clauses of the statutes, will be found very convenient.

Mr. Kingsford will, we understand, continue his work by giving in due course a second volume, to contain the law relating to the rights of things, or personal and real property, and a third and final volume, which will deal with the law of wrongs, other than Criminal Law.

PROGRESS OF LAW IN THE UNITED STATES.

It must be admitted that there is not much to be learned from our neighbors to the south of us on the subject of law or its administration, but at least we can get something that will be entertaining for the "dog days."

There has recently been a reign of terror in the city of Cripple Creek, Colorado. Singularly enough the terrorists have not been burglars, strikers or miners, but consist of the police magistrate, the sheriff and the city police. The leading Denver journal tells us that the "Czar of the town is Jim Marshall, a notorious, tough, and formerly a bartender in a saloon." He is also the sheriff. We are then told that "the chief lieutenant of Marshall is R. L. Mullen, the police magistrate, whose brutality has aroused the town to such an extent that there are rumors of lynching him. Mullen is ably seconded in his doings by George Washburn, the city and district attorney."

This gang collect an enormous revenue from some 240 saloons and gambling dens, and from the 800 prostitutes of the city. The city has a population of 15,000. These moneys are supposed to belong to the city, but the only record kept of them is the stub of the receipt book in which the sheriff declares with justifiable pride that he keeps a memo. of the license fees paid. This is highly edifying and instructive. We have only to keep our eyes open and we shall learn by degrees.

For fear that complaint might be made that this journal does not pay enough attention to the administration of justice in police courts, we copy from the same Denver newspaper the reports of some important judgments delivered by the aforesaid Judge Mullen.

"Two weeks ago, at the first trial of a street preacher and his wife, Police Magistrate Mullen, fearing a riot, ordered the court room to be cleared. Rex Molette, an attorney, attempted to enter the court room. He was stopped on the stairs leading to the room by 'Doc' Damson, a notorious bad man and one of Marshall's deputies. Molette attempted to pass Damson, when the burly deputy set upon him and beat him terribly, finally kicking him down stairs. A crowd of bystanders rescued Molette, but Damson immediately placed him under arrest and dragged him before Mullen. 'What's the charge?' asked Mullen. 'Disturbing the peace, your honor,' said Damson. 'Guilty or not guilty?' Molette was forced to stand up bleeding and bruised.