

Book Reviews.

A Concise Treatise on the Law of Landlord and Tenant, by WILLIAM MITCHELL FAWCETT, of Lincoln's Inn, Barrister-at-law. 3rd edition, by William Donaldson Rawlins, K.C., London: Butterworth & Co., 12 Bell Yard, Temple Bar, W.C., law publishers, 1905. 680 pages.

In the preface to the 3rd edition Mr. Rawlins remarks: "Law books are like children, in that, if they live, they generally grow. So it is hoped that the increased bulk of this edition will be accepted as a normal symptom of healthy vitality."

There is no question of the vitality of this treatise. It is one of the best the profession have on the subject of landlord and tenant. The additions to this edition are considerable. Some of them of not much interest to us, but others are—especially the new section treating of mineral leases and license, and the amplification of the subject of specific performance. With these exceptions the work remains much as it was in the previous edition. We are glad to notice that an alteration has been made in the quotation of statutes, the actual words of material statutory provisions having been in many cases substituted for the author's condensation of their effect. The benefit of this needs no comment. The printer's work is of the very best. It is a pleasure to read a book so well got up as this is.

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The number of *The Living Age* just published gives in extenso Professor Holland's article in "The Fortnightly" on "Neutral Duties in a Marine War, as illustrated by recent events." This will be read with much interest. It is a valuable addition to the difficult but most important subject of international law. We trust so far as the present war is concerned there may be no need to discuss the views there expressed by that great authority. If Russia's rulers would only learn the lessons they are being taught, the hand of the "Scourge of God" (for so has Japan been aptly described) would doubtless be stayed and the present horrors cease.