

The Lawyers Reports Annotated. (New series.) BURDETT A. RICH, HENRY P. FANNHAM, editors. Rochester, N.Y.: The Lawyers Co-operative Publishing Company. 1913.

This complete series of reports comes with unceasing regularity and promptitude. We have now before us the index to all the law of the L.R.A. Notes, taken from vols. 1 to 70, and 1 to 42 L.R.A. (N.S.) The value of such a compilation (1146 pp. printed on India paper) cannot be over-estimated. It may safely be said that it contains all the law given in the series, and that means substantially all U.S. law worth noting, since the Law Reports commenced some 25 years ago.

Bench and Bar

SUPREME COURT OF ONTARIO—RULES OF COURT.

Amendments of Rules passed 24th December, 1913, and ordered to come into force immediately.

56.—(6) An affidavit shall not be necessary where an appearance is entered by the Official Guardian for an infant or lunatic.

66.—(2) On the signing of default judgment the officer signing judgment may fix and ascertain costs without taxation.

112.—(3) Where a defendant who has appeared to a writ which is specially indorsed and filed the affidavit required by Rule 56 does not file a statement of defence within the time limited, his affidavit shall stand as his defence and notice of trial may be at once served.

The tariff of disbursements is amended as follows: On page 210, item, "fees to witnesses residing over three miles from the Court House," strike out figures "1.25" and insert "per diem 1.50."

Amend items relating to fees payable to professional witnesses by striking out the figure "4" where it appears, and insert after the words "per diem" in each item, the words and figures "Unless otherwise provided by Statute, \$5.00."

Add to the item relating to witnesses the words: "A reasonable sum may be allowed for the preparation of any plan, model, or photograph, when necessary for the due understanding of the evidence."

The new Lord Chief Justice of England, Sir Rufus Isaacs, has been raised to the Peerage under the title of Lord Reading. He takes the name from the town of Reading, which he represented in the Imperial Parliament from 1904 to 1911.