

The writer does not pretend, and it would, of course, be impossible in a book of this kind, to discuss the law of evidence at all in the manner in which it is approached by such books as that of Mr. Taylor and other exhaustive treatises, but, so far as our examination goes, the author has done his work with much care and research. His own experience, and that of others who will use the work, will doubtless enable him to add largely to its value on the second edition.

We are glad to see the following sentences in his preface, and to notice that he has sought to carry it out in the body of the work: "It is well known that some of the ablest discussions of mooted questions are to be found in the law reviews and journals and in the various series of annotated cases which have lately come into extensive use. In this part of the literature of the law there will be found a more elaborate review of particular subjects in the law of evidence, and a more extended collection of the authorities than in the elementary works or judicial decisions. I have, therefore, taken pains to cite quite fully these articles and discussions." This is a new departure and well worthy of imitation.

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*Manual of the Law of Landlord and Tenant for use in the Province of Ontario*, by R. E. KINGSFORD, M.A., LL.B., Barrister, Toronto; The Carswell Company, Ltd., Law Publishers, 1896.

This is a manual for the use of persons outside of the legal profession, drawn up with the intention of imparting elementary information on a subject which the writer thinks every man should know something about. We are not in love with this class of literature, nor is it of much value to the practising lawyer, but—in addition to the classes for which it is intended—it would be useful to law students in the beginning of their studies. Reference is made to some leading cases, and appropriate sections of statutes bearing on the subject, and we have no doubt Mr. Kingsford has done his work with usual care and accuracy.

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