

Book Reviews.

Manual of Medical Jurisprudence, by ALFRED SWAINE TAYLOR, M.D., F.R.S., revised and edited by THOMAS STEVENSON, M.D., London, 12th American, edited with citations and additions from the 12th English edition, by Clark Bell, LL.D.: Lea Brothers & Co.: New York and Philadelphia. 832 pp.

The wonderful developments of medico legal science has made a new edition of this standard work a necessity. A number of new subjects are presented and discussed. The increasing frequency of accidents, resulting in actions for damages, renders the department devoted to surgery of growing importance, whilst the increased knowledge of chemistry and kindred sciences requires constant attention to keep abreast of the times. This work, as is well known, is a favourite text book in schools of medicine and law, and is as useful to physicians in practice as it is to lawyers in the preparation of briefs. No lawyer, who is engaged in criminal practice, can afford to be without it.

A Treatise on the Law in relation to Promoters and the Promotion of Corporations, by ARTHUR M. ALGER; Boston: Little, Brown & Co., 1897. Toronto: Canada Law Journal Co.

This is a timely treatise on a subject which has become very prominent of late years in this country. We notice that the cases cited are largely from the English Reports, which is accounted for by the fact that the promotion of companies has been a more fruitful source of litigation in England than in the United States. The cases cited are not numerous, so that there has been all the more scope for the author to give them individually a fuller treatment than would otherwise be the case. Mr. Alger is a lawyer of eminence, and especially familiar with company law, and he appears to have done his work excellently well. This book is one which should find a large sale in this country. The book is produced by publishers of high reputation, and the typographical execution does full credit even to them.

A Treatise on the Law of Bailments, including Carriers, Innkeepers and Pledge. By JAMES SCHOUER, LL.D., Professor in the Boston University Law School, and author of treatises on the "Law of the Domestic Relations." Third edition. Boston: Little, Brown & Co., 1897. Price, \$6. Toronto: Canada Law Journal Co.

This is the third and an enlarged edition of a book which was written in 1880. As our readers are aware, Mr. Schouler is a recognized authority on the subjects of which he treats. It was not the intention of the author to present any exhaustive collection of cases upon the various branches of law treated upon, but rather to treat the subject from a modern standpoint, and classify the cases so as to give a general and accurate view on the subject of bailments. There has been a large growth of authorities on the old common law doctrines affecting the various matters coming under the general terms bailments, and this especially applies to transactions in reference