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*POWER OF PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURES TO ENACT  
STATUTE AFFECTING THE RIGHTS OF NON-RESI-  
DENTS. A REPLY TO SOME OF MY CRITICS.*

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I. *Introductory.*

An article of mine dealing with the powers of Provincial Legislatures in respect of the enactment of statutes affecting the rights of non-residents was published in the CANADA LAW JOURNAL of Sept., 1914. Most of it was devoted to a discussion of the views of three writers concerning the same subject. In one of the sections I replied to some comments which Mr. Masters had made (CANADA LAW JOURNAL, April 1, 1914), upon an earlier article (CANADA LAW JOURNAL, Feb. 2, 1914). In the other two I discussed certain theories which had been advanced by Mr. Lefroy in the *Law Quarterly Review*, and by Mr. Ewart in the *Canadian Law Times*. From all these gentlemen my article has evoked rejoinders which the pressure of other work has hitherto prevented me from noticing. The exceptional importance of the judgment of the Privy Council in *Royal Bank v. Rex*<sup>1</sup>, with reference to which the controversy has been carried

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<sup>1</sup> [1913] A.C. 283.