

## CORRESPONDENCE—LATEST ADDITIONS TO OSGOODE HALL LIBRARY.

and that FOURNIER, J. agrees with the majority judgment but, as to costs, would award costs of both lower courts to the Appellants.

In the first of the above S. C. cases, (*Power v. Ellis*), it is also to be noted that on page 5, *Defendant* (l. 2.) should read *Plaintiff*. Apart from these and other blunders that might be cited, there are many improvements that might be suggested in our reports. The marginal headings given in most of our best edited texts are a very great assistance. Could they not be adopted with benefit to the profession in our reports?

In my opinion our reports should be so prepared, edited and printed as to be a source of pride and satisfaction to Canadian lawyers and jurists. They ought to be a "possession for ever."

Very respectfully yours,

VERITAS.

Lord Coleridge's Visit.

To the Editor of the LAW JOURNAL.

SIR,—All the arrangements for the reception of this distinguished judge by the Bar of Ontario had been made. The programme of his movements as arranged by the committee of the New York Bar Association, both as to America and Canada, has been officially announced, and is published in England as well as the States. The time for his visit to Toronto was fixed by his Lordship, and the New York Bar Association and the secretary of our Bar Committee duly notified. Everything was ready and every one very willing except, apparently, the Chief Justice, who, we are informed, now writes a note to the secretary of the committee in Toronto, that he cannot come to Canada. I suppose he has gone on the principle "if you can't take a liberty with a friend with whom can you," and that therefore this liberty is intended as a compliment. I do not think the Bar of Ontario will look upon it in that light. We should have thought his Lordship might very reasonably have said to those who have him in charge, that occupying the representative position he does he could not, after he had made a distinct promise, acted upon to his knowledge by those interested, throw aside an engagement made with the Bench and Bar of the noblest province of the British empire.

The strangest part of the affair is that the New York Bar Association has been in correspondence with our civic authorities urging them to give the Lord Chief Justice a hearty reception and making suggestions in connection therewith. It would seem, therefore, not to be the fault of the New York Bar. It is reported, moreover, that these gentlemen are paying all Lord Coleridge's expenses. There is a good deal in this that grates on my old fashioned nerves. Everything being ready, however, for the banquet, I would suggest that as the great services of most of the recently appointed Queen's Counsel, both to the profession and their country, have not yet been full recognized, it would be a graceful act to tender to them, ere the vegetables become cold, the dinner which was prepared for the Chief Justice. I should like to see the gentleman who recommended these appointments to the Minister of Justice, included as a guest. It is feared, however, that his modesty will for ever prevent his identity being discovered.

Yours, &c.,

BARRISTER.

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Principles of the Law of Personal Property, intended for the use of students in conveyancing. By Josh. Williams. Eleventh edition. H. Sweet.

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In the case of *In re Browne and Binkley*, reported ante p. 259, the learned Deputy Judge who heard the case says that it has been held *ultra vires* the Local Legislature to give power to a Justice of the Peace to imprison with hard labour. If the reference is to *Reg. v. Frawley*, that holding was reversed by the Court of Appeal : 7 O. L. R. 246.