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NEW PUBLICATIONS.

BILLS, NOTES AND CHEQUES.—The Bills of Exchange Act, 1890, and Amending Acts, with notes and illustrations. By J. J. Maclaren, Esq., Q.C., D.C.L., LL.D. Second Edition—Publishers, The Carswell Co., Toronto.

The appearance of a second edition of a Canadian legal work is far from common, still less the publication of a second edition within a very few years after the first. But it seems that the first edition of Dr. Maclaren's now well known work was exhausted about a year after its issue, and has since been out of print. This fact of itself is a proof of the appreciation of the profession, more especially when it is remembered that several other treatises on the Bills of Exchange Act of 1890 were published either before or about the same time. Several new features have been introduced in the present edition. The Imperial Act of 1882 having been adopted by most of the Australasian colonies shortly after its enactment in Great Britain, a number of decisions by the courts of these colonies on the Act have been inserted, some of them, it is stated in the preface, on points of interest that have not yet arisen elsewhere. The notes have been revised and some changes made, and about two hundred and fifty citations of new cases have been added, more than half of the new cases having been decided in Canada since the publication of the first edition. These and other additions are considerable enough to make the second edition valuable to those who are in possession of the first, and bring the work up to the date of the present year. Dr. Maclaren deserves the thanks of the profession for the learning and research devoted to the preparation of this edition in the midst of constant demands made upon his time by an active practice.

COMMENTARIES ON THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES, by Roger Foster, Esq., of the New York Bar, vol. 1.—Publishers, The Carswell Co., Toronto.

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