

meanwhile a large body of statutory enactments and legal decisions relating to landlord and tenant has come into existence.

In this work the author presents a convenient and logical subdivision and arrangement of the subject. Part I deals with the relationship of landlord and tenant. Part II treats of the terms of their relationship, as, for instance, rent, etc. In Part III the rights and liabilities of the assignee of the term and the assignee of the reversion are considered. Part IV is a discussion of the modes of determining tenancies and of the rights and remedies of the parties upon determination. There is added in Part V a collection of forms both for conveyancing and for use in various proceedings relating to tenancies. The chapters on rent and distress are worthy of particular commendation as able and exhaustive treatises on these important subjects. The arrangement of the book is so excellent that the table of contents is in itself almost a sufficient guide to the reader, but a good index is added. The author, whose former works are favorably known to the profession, is to be congratulated upon this important addition to our legal literature. It may be added that the printing and binding are in the style of the best English law publications.

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*The Law of Contracts* by THEOPHILUS PARSONS, LL.D. Ninth edition.

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In 1853 the learned author produced the first edition of "this monument in the law." This work is so well known, that it is only necessary to say that a ninth edition has just been issued by the enterprising publishers. Mr. Parsons has done for the United States what Mr. Addison did for England. In this country we need the former as well as the latter of these great works; for in several matters there must needs be, from similarity of conditions, a strong family likeness between contracts in the United States and the Dominion.

In the present edition, the author's text has occasionally been shortened and altered both to meet new orders of things, and also in view of the settlement by recent decisions of many points discussed in previous editions. The fact that some six thousand authorities are added in the present edition shows the amount of labour expended on the work by Mr. Gould. We notice that numerous monographic articles and notes are referred to in addition to the cases cited. English authorities also abound; but, of references to cases in our Courts, there is a lack, which might well be supplied in the next edition. The work is an encyclopædia as well as a treatise.