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**Book Reviews.**

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*The Law of Legislative Power in Canada*, by A. H. F. LEFROY, M.A., Oxon., of the Inner Temple, London, . . . Osgoode Hall, Toronto, barrister-at-law. Toronto: Toronto Law Book and Publishing Co., Ltd., 1898.

We refer to this valuable addition to our library in our editorial columns. We notice in the *Law Quarterly* a very complimentary review of Mr. Lefroy's book by Mr. A. V. Dicey, Q.C., than whom there is no higher authority on such a subject. We might notice in passing that Mr. Dicey questions the desirability of expending labour upon what is practically an annotated code, which is noteworthy in view of the fact that most of his works are built upon that principle.

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*The Law of Evidence*, SIDNEY L. PHIPSON, M.A., of the Inner Temple barrister-at-law. London, Stevens & Haynes, Law Publishers, Temple Bar, 1898.

This is the second edition of Mr. Phipson's very excellent work. This book does not seem to be as well known in this country as it deserves, and we can safely say it improves on acquaintance. Mr. Phipson has a uniform method of arrangement, stating (1) the rules of evidence, (2) the principles upon which they are founded, (3) their various limitations, and (4) the illustrations to these rules, the illustrations being given in a more condensed type than the rest of the matter. The aim has been to present an exhaustive statement of the law of evidence in a relatively moderate compass—a most praiseworthy object, well carried out. The arrangement to this end is exceedingly good and the illustrations apt and accurate. It makes an excellent circuit companion. This edition increases by one-third the text and number of cases cited in the first edition, and the chapter on extrinsic evidence has been amplified and remodelled.

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*Powell's Principles and Practice of the Law of Evidence*, by JOHN CUTLER, B.A., Q.C., and CHARLES F. CAGNEY, B.A., Middle Temple, barrister-at-law. London, Butterworth & Company, 7 Fleet St., Law Publishers, 1898.

This is now the seventh edition of this excellent and standard work. It is so well known and so highly thought of that it is unnecessary to enlarge upon it. The book before us, together with Mr. Phipson's work on Evidence, above alluded to, take a middle place between Sir James Stephens' Digest and the elaborate and bulky volumes of Taylor on Evidence. Over 160 new cases are cited in this edition, and the law has been brought down so as to cover all statutes and cases reported up to September 30th, 1897.