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*From the Post Magazine and Insurance Monitor, London.*

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*From the Baltimore Underwriter.*

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*From The Budget, Toronto.*

In truth, no underwriter's library is complete without it. \* \* \* Mr. Griswold, the respected author, has once more placed the profession under obligations for the able and exhaustive work he now puts before them, and as one of the number we offer him our hearty thanks for it, and compliment him on the completion of this revised edition of the Fire Underwriters' Text-Book.

*From The Chronicle, New York.*

The preparation of this second and enlarged edition is due to a considerable demand which has recently sprung up for Mr.

Griswold's great work. As we happen to know, a few months ago second hand copies of the 1872 edition could not be purchased for less than fifteen or eighteen dollars, and they were hard to procure even at that figure. There is no other book that equals this in value to the full working fire insurance man. It has been happily called "a law book, a hand book, a history and an essay, all in one."

*From the American Exchange and Review.*

The Text-Book might be pronounced as chiefly an exposition of the fire insurance policy from the fire-loss adjuster's standpoint, and by this we mean the fire policy from the application of its terms to the full settlement of loss under it. Back of the policy are surveys, classifications of risk, fire probabilities, ratings, etc., collateral with the policy are liability, funding, corporate conditions, office usages, but these receive secondary rather than primary treatment. \* \* \* We congratulate the author that he has been enabled to make this valuable addition to the other valuable services of his life.

*From The Coast Review, San Francisco.*

No fire underwriter will willingly do without this work. \* \* \* The first edition was printed in 1872. The changes in methods of practice, and the more important judicial decisions in the intervening seventeen years appear in the revised work, thus bringing it down to the present day. Some 2,500 subjects are referred to. The index covers fifteen pages of thirty columns.

*From the Insurance Age, New York.*

Mr. Griswold has long been recognized as one of the most reliable writers upon technical subjects related to fire insurance. The present work has been revised and brought down to date. Cornelius Walford once referred to this work as follows: "Literally a hand-book for every underwriter in any part of the world where the English language is spoken. Its aim is cosmopolitan, its usefulness inexhaustible."

*From The Standard, Boston.*

The Text-Book, originally published in 1872, has been out of print for some time, and as the new edition is limited to a few hundred copies, it will be well for those desiring this trustworthy guide to secure a copy early. The work comprises over 900 pages, is bound in sheep, and can be obtained at \$10 per copy.