## Book Reviews.

A Study of the Law of Mortgages. By Charles H. S. Stevenson. Second edition, revised. London: Effingham Wilson, 54 Threadneedle Street. 1912.

This book of 208 pages was originally prepared for students of the law, the author being an expert in all matters connected with the preparation of students of law degrees and solicitors' final examinations, etc. It is at the same time a handy book for practitioners, giving an excellent sketch of questions ordinarily arising on the subject of mortgages. We commend it to students as well as to practitioners who desire a short summary on this most important and practical subject.

The New Competition. By ARTHUR JEROME Eddy, author of The Law of Combinations, etc. D. Appleton & Co. London and New York. 1912.

This, as its name would indicate is more theoretical than practical. It is an examination of the conditions underlying the radical change which is taking place in the commercial and industrial world, a change from the competitive to a co-operative basis. The conclusions are based upon the operations of a number of Open Price Associations, which claim to have accomplished results which were once considered visionary and unattainable.

## Bench and Bar.

## ONTARIO BAR ASSOCIATION.

There was a large attendance of members at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, at the annual meeting of this Association on December 27th, 1912.

The president, W. C. Mikel, K.C., having delivered his annual address, a paper was read by Mr. James Bicknell, K.C., on "Bankruptey law," reviewing the subject from a historical point of view, then dealing with the present condition of the Insolvency laws, and concluding with some valuable suggestions for its improvement. We shall, as soon as space permits, publish this paper. The reading of it was followed by an interest-