

*DOMINION STATUTES, 1907.*

The yearly volume of the Statutes of Canada (6-7 Edw. VII.) has been issued by the King's printer. It contains the first amendments which have been made to the Revised Statutes, as well as the repeal and re-enactment of many of those Acts.

Much new legislation also appears. Of this may be mentioned the Acts relating to Dominion Lands Surveys, Electricity and Fluid Exportation, Industrial Disputes Investigation (Lemieux Act) and the Treaty between Canada and Japan. Of Revised Statutes repealed and re-enacted, we find the Customs Tariff, Electricity Inspection Act and Geology and Mines Act (creating a Department of Mines).

We would call attention to the index to the Public General Acts. This now occupies some sixteen pages of analytical reference, and is in the same form as the index to the Revised Statutes. The latter we consider the best analytical index to be found in any volume of statutes, every possible subject matter being indexed, as well as each separate Act being alphabetically analysed. The references are in every case to the chapter, section and paragraph, instead of following the old style of reference to pages. That this index comprises some 420 pages is a partial indication of its extent and thoroughness.

Both of the indices mentioned were compiled by Mr. F. A. McCord, Parliamentary Counsel and Law Clerk of the House of Commons. We congratulate Mr. McCord on his valuable work, and gratefully acknowledge the service he has thereby rendered to the profession and the public.

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An exceptionally good appointment to the Bench is the promotion of Mr. Nicholas D. Beck, K.C., of Edmonton, to the Supreme Court of the Province of Alberta. Mr. Beck was called to the Bar of Ontario in 1879, and was an LL.D. of the Toronto University. He practised his profession first at Peterboro' and subsequently at Winnipeg, Calgary and Edmon-