

have been heard, the term will be closed. Under this rule, the Court will decline to fix cases for particular days, when the parties are not ready at the time the cases are called. Such cases go to the foot of the list.

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The Supreme Court of Ohio is one of the courts which has great difficulty in keeping pace with the increase of business. Its record last year was a remarkable one, 704 cases having been disposed of, compared with 504 in the previous year. The year, however, closed with 864 cases still undisposed of, as against 978 one year ago.

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BLACKSTONE'S COMMENTARIES.—By Wm. Draper Lewis, Ph. D.,  
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This edition of Sir William Blackstone's well-known work has some remarkable features. It is unabridged. Each word, phrase or sentence found in the text of Blackstone, or in the notes, printed in Greek, Latin, Norman French, Italian, etc., as well as maxims and quotations, has been translated into English, and added in the notes upon the particular page where the quotations appear. Then, again, all text-book writers in the United States and England, who have referred to Blackstone in their works, are cited in the foot notes. It is also stated that lawyers will find, in every reported case in the United States, England and Canada, where the judge in rendering his opinion, has quoted Blackstone, the name of the case, date, volume and page are given. From what has been said it will be seen that a vast amount of labor has been expended by the editor in the preparation of the edition, of which Vol. 1 has now been issued. It is in fact a treasure house of learning, as to all that concerns the work of the great English commentator. The notes of former editors have been used, credit being given; but the present editor's own labors have added immensely to the interest and value of the work. We have pleasure in commending so important a publication to the attention of our readers.