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In recently conferring the degree of Doctor of Laws upon Hannis Taylor, both the University of Dublin and the University of Edinburgh have done one of the ablest of living publicists a deserved honour. Dr. Taylor's "Origin and Growth of the English Constitution" is one, perhaps, the very best book on the subject for the purposes of the student, and answers all requirements in ways of conciseness, lucidity and reliability, for a text-book. In 1901 he published a treatise on International Public Law, so excellent in its matter and method as to rank its author with Hall, Von Martens and Rivier, in the exposition of this abstruse subject. Dr. Taylor, at present, occupies the chair of constitutional and international law at the Columbia University, in Washington, D.C.

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The legal profession as well as legal journalism have suffered a great loss in the death of ex-Judge Seymour Dwight Thompson, who died at his residence in New Jersey in August last. He was born in 1842. In 1868, after seeing service in the Civil War, he was admitted to the Bar. From 1881 to 1893 he was Associate Judge of the St. Louis Court of Appeal. Upon his retirement from the Bench he devoted much of his time to legal literary work, his best known treatises being on the Law of Negligence, a work on Homesteads and Exemptions and one on Juries. His latest and perhaps his principal contribution to legal lore was the treatise on corporations which appeared in vol. 10 of the Cyclo-pædia of law and procedure published by the American Law Book Company. He was recently appointed by the President of the United States a delegate to the Congress of Law and Jurists now meeting at St. Louis.

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It may not be amiss to pass on, for the benefit of those whom it may concern, an illustration of the proposition, that in the management of cases in Court, counsel ought not to be permitted to do indirectly that which they would not be permitted to do directly. In the case of *Manigold v. Black River Traction Company*, 80 N.Y. Supp. 861, an action was brought by a passenger