
Book Reviews.

A Treatise on the Investigation of Titles to Real Estate in Ontario; by EDWARD DOUGLAS ARMOUR, K.C., D.C.L. Third edition; Canada Law Book Company, Toronto, 1903.

The earlier editions of this excellent work are already so well-known to the members of the profession that a third edition should need no introduction. Ten years, however, have elapsed since the last edition was published and since that time many and important changes have taken place in the law relating to titles of real estate in Ontario. Besides a host of judicial decisions appertaining to the law on this subject there has been a revision of the Ontario statutes and incessant and irritating amendments to those already on the statute books. Among the many changes in this respect will be found amendments to The Devolution of Estates Act, The Mortgage Act, The Trustee Act, The Trustee Investment Act, The Real Property Limitation Act, The Registry Act, The Land Titles Act, The Mechanics' and Wage Earners' Lien Act, The Married Women's Real Estate Act, The Landlord and Tenants' Act, The Execution Act, and many others.

These changes in the law are all embodied in this work, and carefully considered. The additions and alterations to the text found throughout the volume are very considerable, so that this edition has been thoroughly revised, in some parts recast and in others entirely rewritten, adding some fifty odd pages to the size of the book.

The index is complete and exhaustive and designed to facilitate the use of the book to the every-day practice of title searching.

A Treatise on the law of Street Surface Railways, by Andrew J. Nellis, of the New York State Bar, Albany, N.Y., Matthew Bender, Law Publisher, 1902. 682 pp. \$6.00.

This book discusses the law of street surface railroads from and including the organization of such corporation to the acquisition of its franchise and property, the construction, equipment, management, operation and municipal regulation of its road and branches, the rights and liabilities of the company as to third persons, employees and passengers.

Street railway cases are becoming very numerous, as is to be expected considering the immense extension of business developed in that line. The book before us contains a survey of the entire field. The writer has gathered together, classified and arranged the decisions of the courts and the statute law up to date. He seems to have done his work with much care and certainly with great research. It is a pioneer book and will be found very useful to the profession in this country as well as in the United States, the conditions being very much the same in both countries.