

CORRESPONDENCE—REVIEW—APPOINTMENTS TO OFFICE—TO CORRESPONDENTS.

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE.

TO THE EDITORS OF THE LAW JOURNAL.

GENTLEMEN,—Among the many questions you have kindly answered through the medium of your valuable journal for the law students of Upper Canada, with reference to articles of clerkship, I trust you will be kind enough to answer this:

An articled clerk serves an attorney for a period of one year under an assignment of his articles, when a second assignment takes place. The attorney refuses to certify to his service at the date of the last mentioned assignment, saying he would leave it a matter for his future consideration. Should the clerk apply for an order now, to compel the attorney to certify to his articles, or wait until the expiration of his original articles?

Yours truly, LAW STUDENT.

[We know of no law by which the student can *compel* his master to give this certificate, until such time as he requires it for the purposes of admission. When that time arrives, he can, if necessary, apply to the court for a mandamus, or *may* obtain relief from the Society, within the scope of their powers, upon making out a very clear case. And if any damage should arise to the student from refusal of the master to give a certificate when called upon at the proper time to do so, without his being able to give a sufficient reason, an action on the case would accrue to the student.—Eds. L. J.]

REVIEWS.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864, WITH ANNOTATIONS, NOTES OF DECISIONS, AND A FULL INDEX. By J. D. Edgar, Esq., of Osgoode Hall, Barrister-at-Law. Rollo & Adam, Law Publishers, Toronto. 1865.

The above, from the industrious pen of Mr. Edgar, the annotator of the Insolvent Act of 1864, will be found a useful postscript to his former book. The act of 1864 was found defective in many respects, and it became necessary to amend it, which was done by the act of last session, which Mr. Edgar gives in full, with notes explanatory of the defects intended to be remedied, and of decisions which tend to interpret the enactments. It is only neces-

sary to say that these notes seem to have been prepared with the same care as those to the act of 1864.

He gives also a collection of "notes of decisions," which he prefaces with the following observations:

"Since the first of September, 1864, when the Insolvent Act came into force, a great many questions have arisen as to its interpretation, and a number of valuable decisions on doubtful points have been made. These cases, unfortunately, have rarely been reported, from the fact that they came only before our County Court Judges. The Editors of the *Upper Canada Law Journal* have made commendable efforts, however, to preserve these decisions, and most of the following are taken from their reports. Very few appeals have been made to the Superior Courts, considering the number of insolvency cases. It is thought advisable to put the cases below upon record as useful, although they may not all be found to be unimpeachable decisions."

We may mention here that *all* these cases will be found in the *Law Journal*, *Wills v. Cramp* (the note of which case is taken by Mr. Edgar from 11 Grant) having been reported expressly for the *Law Journal*, and is on page 217 of the current volume.

With respect to the above remarks of Mr. Edgar, we are only sorry that we have been unable, owing to the want of thought (we shall not call it *apathy*) of some of those who might well have helped us, to give more reports of cases decided under the Insolvency Act than have already appeared in our columns. We trust that this hint may not be in vain.

The pamphlet winds up with a full and most useful index.

APPOINTMENTS TO OFFICE.

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

JAMES HOSSACK, of the town of Cobourg, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, to be a Notary Public for Upper Canada. (Gazetted October 7, 1865.)

CORONERS.

WILLIAM BURR TERRY, of the township of North Gwillimbury, Esquire, to be an Associate Coroner for the United Counties of York and Peel. (Gazetted Oct. 7, 1865.)

PETER DAVY DAVIS, of Adolphustown, Esquire, to be an Associate Coroner for the County of Lennox and Addington. (Gazetted October 7, 1865.)

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

"SHEER HECK."—Time and space do not permit the insertion of your interesting communication in this issue, but it will appear in our next.

"LEX"—In current number of *Local Courts Gazette*.

"TILE DULCI"—Too late; will appear in next number of *Local Courts Gazette*.

"LAW STUDENT."—Under "General Correspondence."