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OUR publishers send us a letter from a learned judge of the Superior Court, residing in the western half of the British possessions in North America, and asks us to publish an extract therefrom. As it comes from one who has a good opportunity of forming an opinion on the subject, we do as requested. The learned judge thus alludes to our efforts to meet the needs of the profession in the various Provinces of the Dominion: "THE LAW JOURNAL, which I believe I may say I introduced into this Province, grows steadily in living interest here, where Ontario cases are constantly referred to, and Ontario judges and Ontario cases are (shall I dare to say?) our chief Canadian authorities."

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SCARCELY a day passes but the practitioner is met by further evidence either of the difficulties arising under the Mechanics' Lien law, or of the utter carelessness and inartificial drafting of an unwise and unworkable enactment which has long been recognized as detrimental to business, and valueless for the purposes which it was held out would be served by it. Property owners, investors, contractors, and workmen would all be benefited by its repeal. The only persons who make any money by it are the lawyers, and therefore, perhaps, we should not take exception to it, but such a piece of bungling legislation is a disgrace to our statute book, and should be amended by total repeal. Legislation which was introduced and kept alive for political purposes to catch the workingmen's vote is not likely to be very beneficial to the country at large. :