

those desiring a bird's eye view of this most difficult subject. As the author truly says: "A student who approaches the study of the law of land by reading at the outset such a standard work as Williams on Real Property is apt to get confused by the wealth of detail and the extraordinary complication and formality of the early law." Students will re-echo this statement and agree with the writer in the *Law Quarterly Review*, who says: "The law of real property has always been an unpalatable dish for beginners owing to its strange mixture of mediæval theory and modern practice." Students will appreciate the efforts of Mr. Tophan in their behalf.

*Leading cases in Constitutional Law*, briefly stated with introduction and notes by ERNEST C. THOMAS. 4th edition by Chas. L. Attenborough. London: Stevens & Haynes, Temple Bar, 1908.

Only one case of special interest referring to the South African War has been noted since the previous edition.

*Two Studies in International Law*, by COLEMAN PHILLIPSON, M.A. London: Stevens & Haynes, Law Publishers, Temple Bar, 1908.

This consists of two essays on the subject of International Law: (1) The influence of international arbitration on the development of international law; (2) The rights of neutrals and belligerents as to submarine cables, wireless telegraphy and intercepting of information in time of war. The author publishes also the proceedings of the Second Hague Conference in reference to the above subjects.

As will be seen from these titles the discussion is on subjects which have largely come into existence within a comparatively short period of years and the information collected is therefore largely new, and is collected from many sources and is now easily accessible.

*An Analysis of Williams on the Law of Real Property*, for the use of students, by A. M. WILSHERE, LL.D. London: Sweet & Maxwell, Limited, 3 Chancery Lane, 1908.

This does not pretend to be more than an assistance to the memory of the student who has read the parent work, being a note book and nothing more. But it is a refresher which lawyers as well as students may usefully turn to when the occasion offers.