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ADOLPHUS AND ELLIS'S REPORTS. "Distinguished for superior care and accuracy."—J. Pitt Taylor, in *The London Law Magazine*, vol. xxvii. p. 321.

AMOS AND FERARD ON FIXTURES. "A very excellent treatise."—Lord Tenterden, C. J., in *Lyde v. Russell*, 1 B. & Adol. 395.

ARNOULD ON MARINE INSURANCE. "An excellent treatise."—Chief Justice Shaw, in *Wilson v. General Mutual Insurance Co.*, 12 Cush. 365. "It was said in the argument," continued the Chief Justice, "that the authorities cited do not warrant the conclusion stated in the text, because they were not the case of a part owner and master, in a case charging barratry. We are inclined to think that this is correct; the passages, therefore, can only be regarded as an application of the principle to this particular case, by writers who have devoted much learning and time to the investigation of principles, and who have stated these as their results."

ATHERLEY (EDMOND GIBSON). A practical Treatise on the Law of Marriage and other Family Settlements. 8vo. London, 1813. "An able and excellent treatise."—Chancellor Kent, in *Reade v. Livingston*, 3 Johns. Ch. 491.

BENJAMIN ON SALES. "A work from which I have derived great advantage, and which is remarkable for the acumen and accuracy of the writer, who possesses not only a knowledge of English law but of jurisprudence in general."—Willes, J., in *Seymour v. The London and Provincial Marine Ins. Co.*, 41 L. J. N. S. C. P. 198.

BLACKSTONE'S (SIR WILLIAM) COMMENTARIES. "Where, if anywhere, we may look to find the principles of our jurisprudence. If he has fallen into some minute mistakes in matters of detail, I believe, upon a great question like this, as to the constitution of marriage, there is no authority to be more relied upon. He began, before the Marriage Act, to read the Lectures at Oxford, which became the Commentaries, but did not publish them till after, and his attention must have been particularly directed to the law of marriage."—Lord Campbell, in *The Queen v. Millis*, 10 Clark & Fennelly, 767.

BLACKSTONE'S (SIR WILLIAM) REPORTS. "It appears, by the preface to the first volume of his reports, that that learned judge did not give his notes the last correction he had intended, and they were not published until after his death;

yet, we are well assured that there is nothing contained in any of the opinions of the judges, or judgments of the court, that did not fall from the bench. He certainly took most accurate notes; and although the words attributed by him to Lord Mansfield, in giving judgment in *Cooper v. Chitty*, are not to be found in the report of that case in Burrow, yet there is little, if any, doubt but that his Lordship used them."—Best, C. J., in *Price v. Helyar*, 1 Moore & Payne, 553.

BULSTRODE'S REPORTS. According to Mr. Serjeant Woolrych, "one of the best old 'Reports' of legal cases."—*Lives of Eminent Serjeants*, vol. i. p. 380.

BURROW'S REPORTS. "I may say, as Lord Mansfield himself said of Sir William Blackstone, Sir James Burrow's Reports are not always accurate."—Lord Campbell, C. J., in *The Queen v. Newton*, as reported in the 24 L. J. N. S. Q. B. 248. As reported in 4 Ellis & Blackburn, 871: "I may say, as Lord Mansfield himself said when speaking of Sir W. Blackstone, that what is reported is not always accurate." In *Jones v. Roe*, 3 T. R. 96, Mr. Justice Buller observed: "It has been openly acknowledged by Lord Mansfield, and I have had repeated opportunities of hearing it from him in private, that he has given to Sir J. Burrow his own note and opinion of a case, which he could not deliver publicly in court; for it was not at that time the practice of this court [the King's Bench] to give their opinions here in cases which came from the Court of Chancery." And again, the same great authority said that Burrow "certainly had the highest assistance in stating what he calls the probable grounds of the judgment."—*Goodtitle v. Otway*, 1 B. & P. 586. "Sir James Burrow was not in the habit of taking short-hand notes in court, and he professes to give rather the substance than the exact words of what was spoken by the Chief Justice; but Lord Mansfield, it is well known, looked over and corrected the greater part of his proofs before they were published, so that if this work does not contain all he actually said, it at least conveys his arguments as nearly as possible in his own language. The eloquent passages from the judgment in *Wilkes's case* bear evident marks of having been carefully revised by the orator himself; and there are several others that carry with them the same stamp of authenticity."—*London Law Magazine* vol. v. p. 100.

CAMPBELL ON NEGLIGENCE. "A very good book."—Willes, J., in *Oppenheim v. The White Lion Hotel Co.*, 40 L. J. N. S. C. P. 232. "I would also refer to some ingenious remarks as to