

yers our greatest men are drawn; our ablest statesmen; our best parliamentarians, and law-makers. In all public matters the lawyers are relied on as the men, to speak, and act, and write. These lawyers hands and heads are all needed for the general service of the community. It is for them to know that it is their duty to render such service in the best and honestest way, feeling with Sir Edward Coke, that they are owe the debt, not to their profession only, but also to their country.

This *brochure* will, in this view, be of value to the Canadian lawyers. The author has done his work well, and casts no discredit on the name of Sedgwick, already illustrious in legal literature.

EWART'S INDEX OF THE STATUTES.

We noticed the receipt of this Index some time ago, but had not space then to do more. It is, however, worthy of more than a passing notice, seeing that it is becoming of daily reference in lawyers' offices.

The title page declares it to be an alphabetical index of all the public statutes passed by the legislatures of the late Province of Canada, the Dominion of Canada, and the Province of Ontario, subsequent to the consolidation, and down to and inclusive of the year 1871. That such an index was wanted is not likely to be disputed; nor can it be denied that Mr. Ewart has most successfully come to the rescue. His work has been well done and on an intelligent plan. We trust the encouragement given to him will be sufficient to induce the editor to republish the index yearly, or every two years at least. The startling rapidity with which our laws are changed now makes everything which assists us in keeping track of the alterations most acceptable.

The *Alabama Law Journal*, in speaking of the Alabama Claims, remarks that "The beauties of pleading under the old system are finely illustrated in the proceedings thus far under the so-called Alabama treaty. The United States have prepared, for use before the joint high commission, what is analogous to a declaration in common-law practice. For fear that they will be thrown out of court, or something else, they complain of every imaginable matter, whether they hope anything from it or not. In a multitude of counts there is safety, seems to be the motto of the American pleaders. Of course the defence pleads the general issue, and this is all the parties can get before the trial comes on. All persons familiar with the ways of the common-law lawyers measure the cases published at their true value. The great misfortune is that the public on both sides of the water, not being familiar

with legal fictions outside of the courts, are misled, and this misfortune is aggravated by partizans who are anxious to embarrass government action, both in the United States and England."—*Law Times*.

APPOINTMENTS TO OFFICE.

SHERIFF.

JAMES GILLESPIE, of the Town of Picton, Esquire, to be Sheriff of and for the County of Prince Edward, in the room and stead of Absalom Greeley, Esquire, resigned. Gazetted March 23rd, 1872.)

ASSOCIATE CORONERS.

JOHN SOMERVILLE TENNANT, Esquire, M.D., for the County of Huron. (Gazetted Jan. 27th, 1872.)

JAMES A. SIVEWRIGHT, Esquire, M.D., for the County of Essex. (Gazetted Feb. 17th, 1872.)

THOMAS KIERNAN, Esquire, M.D. for the County of Simcoe.

DONALD McDIARMID, Esquire, M.D., for the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry.

HERMAN L. COOK, Esquire, M.D., for the United Counties of Lennox and Addington.

WILLIAM HIGINBOTHAM, Esquire, M.D., for the County of Peterborough. (Gazetted Feb. 24th, 1872.)

GEORGE CARSON McMANUS, Esquire, M.D., for the County of York.

JAMES KENNEDY, Esquire, M.D., for the County of Gray. (Gazetted March 9th, 1872.)

JAMES W. SMITH, Esquire, M.D., for the County of Ontario.

JAMES RAE PATERSON, Esquire, M.D., for the County of Bruce

GEORGE MITCHELL, Esquire, M.D., for the County of Kent. (Gazetted March 16th, 1872.)

THOMAS HENRY THORNTON, Esquire, M.D., for the County of Prince Edward. (Gazetted March 23rd, 1872.)

HAWTRY BREDIN, Esquire, M.D., for the County of Prince Edward.

ALEXANDER HECTOR BEATON, Esquire, M.D., for the County of Simcoe.

JAMES AGLANDE LA HOOKE, Esquire, M.D., for the County of York. (Gazetted March 30th, 1872.)

PETER McDONALD, Esquire, M.D., for the County of Norfolk. (Gazetted April 6th, 1872.)

SYLVESTER LLOYD FREEB, Esquire, M.D., for the County of York. (Gazetted April 13th, 1872.)

SAMUEL BLYTH SMALL, Esquire, M.D. for the County of Huron. (Gazetted April 20th, 1872.)

NOTARIES PUBLIC FOR ONTARIO.

WILLIAM A. FOSTER, and ARTHUR H. SYDERE' and WILLIAM McDONALD, of the City of Toronto, Esquires, Barrister-at-Law. (Gazetted Jan. 13th, 1872.)

FRANCIS S. STEVENSON, of the Village of Dunnville, Gentleman, Attorney-at-Law. (Gazetted Feb. 24th, 1872.)

GEORGE A. CONSITT, of the Town of Perth, Gentleman, Attorney-at-Law. (Gazetted March 9th, 1872.)

DANIEL HENRY MOONEY, of the Town of Prescott, Gentleman, Attorney-at-Law. (Gazetted March 16th, 1872.)

WILLIAM P. LAIRD, of the Village of Strathroy, RICHARD AUSTIN BRADLEY, of the City of Ottawa, CHARLES JOHN FULLER, of the Town of Simcoe, and BEVERLEY JONES, of the City of Toronto, Attorneys-at-Law. (Gazetted March 23rd, 1872.)

JOHN O'DONOHUE, of the City of Toronto, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law. (Gazetted March 30th, 1872.)

COUNTY ATTORNEY.

RUPERT MEARSE WELLS, of the City of Toronto, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, to be County Attorney in and for the County of York, in the room and stead of John McNab, Esquire, deceased. (Gazetted March 30th, 1872.)

CLERK OF THE PEACE.

THOMAS HENRY BULL, of the City of Toronto, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, to be Clerk of the Peace in and for the County of York, in the room and stead of John McNab, Esquire, deceased. Gazetted March 30th, 1872.)