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ONE of the most carefully prepared law books, looked at as a scientific treatise on most difficult subjects, and without doubt the most learned of any Canadian law book that has been published for many years, is Mr. Leith's Treatise on the Real Property Statutes. We are surprised, therefore, to learn that the edition has not been disposed of. The price has, we understand, been reduced to \$2. No professional man who pretends to be conversant with the subjects dealt with therein can afford to be without it.

Our attention is again called to the somewhat weary and unsavory subject of Q.C., by letters from correspondents, one of which we publish elsewhere, and by clippings sent us from the country press. The recent extraordinary multiplication of Her Majesty's Counsel by patents from Ottawa and patents from Toronto, and still more patents from Ottawa, and still more again from Toronto, will make it somewhat difficult to remember who is, and who is not, entitled to have the letters "Q.C." tacked to his name. So many gentlemen have been selected for this honour, who have not, to say the least, taken a very prominent position at the bar, or in any public way made apparent the extraordinary legal abilities, the Possession of which has led to their being selected to be of Her Majesty's Counsel, that the ordinary mind is somewhat dazed and confused in the bewildering attempt to remember their names. One cannot always have a copy of the Ontario and Canada Gazette at hand to refer to, at the same time no gentleman would wish to be thought wanting in courtesy to a brother practitioner, and address him as plain "barrister" when he was really entitled to be called "Q.C."

It was the second those who It would almost seem desirable to address everybody as "Q.C.," except those who may have been known to have refused the questionable honour, if any such there be, and we think there must be some of that sort. In this way probably a few persons might be erroneously entitled, but this would be a great deal better In former days when distinthan hurt the feelings of a weak brother. guished ability of some kind or another in the profession had already made the name of a recipient of the honour familiar to his brother practitioners, there was not much difficulty in keeping track of the Q.C. part of the bar; but since gently men of the part of the bar; but since gently men of the part of the bar; but since gently men of the part of the bar; but since gently men of the part of the bar; but since gently men of the bar; but since gently m men of distinction have taken to hiding their lights under a bushel, so that v