

This digest is arranged on the same novel system of classification adopted in the previous work, with its elaborate time saving system of cross references. The series of reports which are included in the present volume are too numerous for reference here, but they seem to include all the reports of every description which are published in the United Kingdom.

Butterworth's Ten Year Digest, from 1898 to 1907, is a most valuable addition to every lawyer's library, and its continuation for the year 1908 gives to busy practitioners every case worth referring to from January, 1898, to December, 1908.

*Foreign Judgments and Jurisdiction. Part I.* By SIR FRANCIS PIGGOTT, Kt., Chief Justice of Hong Kong. London: Butterworth Co., 11 and 12 Bell Yard, Temple Bar, law publishers. 1908.

This is the third edition of Sir Francis Piggott's great work. The volume before us is divided into three parts. Part I. is subdivided as follows: Book I. The position of foreign judgments in the English court; Book II. Jurisdiction; Book III. Defence and concurrent suits.

The object of the learned writer in this work is to state comprehensively the position of British subjects beyond the realm, with reference to the law of England. In carrying this out he has, as he states, to travel over ground which is in part familiar, but in part lies off the beaten track. Portions of the subject are familiar under such titles as international law and conflict of laws. The other information to complete the general subject has not elsewhere been collected and systematized, but in other books is treated as incidental only, and disposed of in short paragraphs or notes by the way. As to this, the author feelingly remarks: "Those alone who have lived under ex-territorial conditions or in the far-off colonies of the Empire know how difficult of practical application to them some of our highly-prized legal doctrines are, and what grave injustice may result from forcing them on to conditions which were never dreamed of when they were formulated."

Those who have governmental responsibility in reference to affairs of State, as well as professional men in all parts of the Empire owe a debt of gratitude to Sir Francis Piggott for the work which he has accomplished; and he is fortunately in a peculiarly appropriate position to do it satisfactorily.