

Held, 1. The words "senior officer of the active militia present at any locality" mean the senior officer at or nearest the place where the riot has occurred or is anticipated and not the senior officer of the district.

2. Where two such words as district and locality occur in the same statute it is a safe, though not an inflexible rule, that they should not be construed as meaning the same thing.

3. A subsequent statute is of assistance in construing a previous statute on the same subject.

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Book Reviews.

The Law of Torts. By J. F. CLERK and W. H. B. LINDSELL. Sixth edition by WYATT PAINE, Barrister-at-law, London: Sweet & Maxwell, Limited, 3 Chancery Lane. 1912. 1018 pages.

This edition has been published as a companion volume to the latest edition of Chitty on Contracts, the combined treatise forming a compendious statement of the various legal obligations arising *ex delicto* or *ex contractu*.

This is a great law book. It is not surprising, therefore, that in three years a new edition has been called for, and it is fortunate for the profession, as well as for the publishers, that a legal writer of such marked ability as Mr. Wyatt Paine was selected to do the editing. The field of law this treatise covers is a very wide one; and, owing to the rapid and continuous changes in the business life of to-day and the innumerable developments in matters of transportation, manufacturing of mechanical and scientific appliances, varied trade relations and legislation, the law varies from day to day, and the litigation which thus arises decides new problems of right and wrong. All this has added to the labour of the editor and necessarily increased the size of the volume.

This book is so well and so favourably known to the profession that it needs no commendation from us. The publisher's part of the work has been done in their usual excellent style.