

Book Reviews.

The Common Form Draftsman, a new book of Forms in use in the Queen's Bench Division of the High Court of Justice in England, by ERNEST EDWARD WILD, B.A., I.L.M., and FRANK SHEWELL COOPER, M.A., Barristers-at-Law, London: Butterworth & Co., 7 Fleet Street, E.C., Law Publishers, 1899.

As the compilers point out this is not intended to compete with any extensive work such as Chitty's Forms, but merely aims at furnishing in a compendious form a collection of the precedents most frequently required in a Solicitor's office in proceedings in the Queen's Bench Division, and it is prepared on the assumption that such books as the "Yearly Supreme Court Practice," or the "Annual Practice," are in the hands of its readers. Whilst this book is of special interest to the profession in England, there are some forms in it which, owing to the similarity of practice, may usefully be examined, and more or less used in the proceedings in our Court.

Flotsam and Jetsam.

The following lines were recently noticed as having been written on the back of an appeal book when in the possession of one of the judges of the Ontario Court of Appeal a few years ago. Our "poet" not being at hand we cannot say whether the lines are original, or written down from memory to relieve the tedium of an argument. If the former they should be preserved:

"MONICA'S LAST PRAYER.

O could my grave at home, at Carthage, be!
 Care not for that, but lay me where I fall;
 Everywhere heard will be the judgment call:
 But at God's altar, O remember me!
 Thus Monica: and died in Italy,
 Yet fervent her longing, through all her course,
 For home at last and burial
 With her own husband by the Libyan Star,
 Had been—But, at the last to her pure soul,
 All ties with all beside seemed vain and cheap.
 And union before God her only care,
 Creeds change, rites pass, no altar standeth whole.
 Yet we her memory, as she prayed, will keep.
 Keep by this—Life with God and union there."

A GREAT LAWYER.—A truly great lawyer is one of the highest products of civilization. He is a master of the science of human experience. He has outlived the ambition of display before courts and juries. He loves justice, law and peace. He has learned to bear criticism without irritation, censure without anger and calumny without retaliation. He has learned how surely all schemes of evil bring disaster to those who support them,