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## BOOK REVIEWS

HANDBOOK OF THE LAW OF CODE PLEADING. By Charles E. Clark. West Publishing Company, St. Paul, Minn.

A compact, comprehensive volume on the subject of Code Pleading with annotations and references to decisions in all States where the Code system of pleading is in vogue. The particular merit of the work lies in its opening chapter where the history of legal and equity pleading is succinctly given with the development of the Code as a logical reform. The similarity of the pleading codes existing throughout the country is emphasized and their differences indicated with citations. Professor Clark's book, eminently praiseworthy in other respects is to be criticized for its failure to include an alphabetical table of cases cited therein. Such a table makes an incalculable addition to the value of any text book as a reference, and where it is omitted it is sorely missed.

CASES ON SURETYSHIP. By Stephen I. Langmaid. West Publishing Co., St. Paul, Minn.

A compendium of leading and informative cases on the subject of Suretyship and Guaranty for class use in the Law School. The list of included cases is perhaps slightly top-heavy with older decisions but the instructor may make a judicious elimination and still have more than enough cases remaining to occupy the time ordinarily allotted to this subject.

CASES ON THE LAW OF BANKRUPTCY INCLUDING THE LAW OF FRAUDULENT CONVEYANCES. By William Everett Britton. West Publishing Company, St. Paul, Minn.

This is an attempt to prevent a subject that is entirely the creation of statute by exclusive reference to judicial decisions. The author acknowledges his difficulty but overcomes it in the main by including for the most part only those cases that are rich in explanation and reasoning. The author breaks the Bankruptcy Act into sections and follows the sections respectively with pertinent decisions. A valuable and unique feature of the work is the inclusion by way of appendix of more than fifty pages of typical bankruptcy forms.

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