For the Defense: The Life of Sir Edward Marshall Hall

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A particularly well reasoned chapter is included on the analysis and science of thought, which alone makes the treatise well worth the time spent in reading it.

The seriousness of purpose, and the undeniably logical arguments presented in favor of the Problem Method of studying law will undoubtedly be food for thought for all instructors and students, and may exert a startling influence on the study of law in the future.

Ben G. Slater


This is a good book, and decidedly encouraging to the law student, for it depicts the successful career of a man who, in the words of his biographer, "was never very much of a lawyer," but was nevertheless the outstanding British criminal barrister for almost forty years. Though his knowledge of the law might have appeared shallow, he garnered an amazing list of victories, due almost entirely to his keenness in analyzing the emotional values in the case; in dramatizing the evidence presented, and in reasoning with, and not at, the jurors. Popularly termed "the thirteenth juror," his was the power to make himself as one with the jury, and to gain freedom for clients in cases given up as lost. Often his entire defense would rest on the cornerstone of the prosecution's case; and this ability to establish the most damaging evidence in a favorable light did much to secure noted acquittals. The book relates his court exploits in detail, and the outstanding cases in which he participated are described at length. Legal methods in England are depicted, struggles attending a beginner's start in practice are traced, the power of newspapers in trying cases and in formulating public opinion prior to the trial is shown, and thoughts dominating presiding judges are often made clear. Leading figures in English political and social life figure prominently. The entire biography can be briefly summed up as a vigorous legal commentary on the times. To one interested in crime, in criminal law, and in legal institutions, the book will prove interesting.

Ronald A. Padway


This work presents to the practicing attorney and to students and instructors of the Law, a handbook of the principles of the law and practice in Bankruptcy. Its purpose is to give the reader a guide to the latest, most authoritative, and most interesting decisions on this subject.

It is important to note that the bankruptcy law passed by Congress in 1898 which constitutes an important, and albeit permanent, piece of the system of federal legislation has been changed by amendatory acts which have materially affected both the principles of substantive law and procedure in bankruptcy cases.

Hence the effect of these statutes is all-important for the alert student of the Bankruptcy Law.

Black on Bankruptcy shows how the Bankruptcy Law of 1898 was amended by Act May 27, 1926, including those relating to bankruptcy courts, acts con-
stituting acts of bankruptcy, compositions, discharge, time within which claims must be proved, and priorities. It further presents the Act of February 13, 1925; January 31, 1928, and amendment of April 26, 1928, by which Congress abolished writs of error from the federal courts and the Supreme Court of the United States and substituted relief by appeal only.

It is altogether an admirable work, and well-deserving of a triple-star.

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