

## BOOK REVIEWS.

*A Tabular Analysis of the Law of a Contract.* By James R. Jordan of the Law School of Cincinnati College. Cloth. W. H. Anderson & Company, Cincinnati, O., 1898.

This little book of Mr. Jordan's is the most successful attempt we have yet seen to convey in a clear and terse form the knowledge of a legal contract. The fundamental principles are set forth in a tabular scheme which enables the student to comprehend the subject with singular facility. The arrangement is into five headings—"Nature of a Contract," "Its Formation," "Its Operation," "Its Interpretation," "Its Discharge," and supplementary to this is a scheme of "Contracts in Agency." There are no case citations, the author not having intended to enter the field already occupied by "Benjamin's Principles of Contracts." We have never seen anything so valuable to the young student for purposes of review and it would make the whole subject of contracts much simpler and clearer for the beginner if he could read over these tables before taking up a text like Parson's which is too often confusing and minute for first-hand reading.

*A Tabular Analysis of the Law of Evidence Especially Adapted to Greenleaf on Evidence.* Arranged by A. G. Turnipseed of the Cincinnati Bar. Cloth. W. H. Anderson & Co., Cincinnati, O., 1898.

This little book is exactly similar to the preceding, and quite as valuable as forming a basis for the more detailed study of evidence.

*Notes on the Revised Statutes of the United States.* July 1, 1889-January 1, 1898. By John M. Gould, author of "The Law of Waters," etc., and George D. Tucker, author of "The Monroe Doctrine," etc. Sheep. Little, Brown & Company, Boston, 1898.

This volume is a supplement to the "Notes on the Revised Statutes of the United States and the Subsequent Legislation of Congress," published in 1889, and completes the annotation of the Federal Statutes up to January of this year. The merits of the former volume are so well known that it is scarcely necessary to say that this one is indispensable to all lawyers who may be concerned with Federal statutes since 1889. The decisions of the State and Federal courts and the rulings of the Treasury Department and Attorney General's opinions are included in the annotations.