

BOOK REVIEWS.

PENNSYLVANIA BUSINESS CORPORATION LAWS CODIFIED.
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This book is not a treatise upon the law of corporations but a systematized arrangement or codification of the disconnected statute law of the State of Pennsylvania. It is also limited to what Mr. Culbert calls "business corporations" and excludes corporations not for profit, banking corporations, building and loan associations and co-operative associations, insurance corporations, municipal corporations and public or quasi-public corporations. The code is divided into thirty-one chapter headings beginning with constitutional provisions for corporations and then continuing with the subjects of formation, powers, management, capital stock, dissolution, etc. The chapters are again divided into groups which in turn are divided into particular subjects. In the text, under these particular headings, Mr. Culbert summarizes the law and as a foot-note cites the Acts which relate to it, in many cases quoting the portion of the Act. Where the subject has been before the Court for litigation or interpretation, he also cites the cases and states briefly the rule as laid down by the Court. The citations of both Statutes and decisions contain those of the year of 1905.

Mr. Culbert has also included a summary of the practice of the State Department, and has devoted upwards of seventy pages to the forms used in corporation practice. Many of the forms are made up from charters as granted and from official forms.

There is, beside the index included under the chapter headings and subdivisions, a chronological index of the Acts of Assembly with their purposes and references to the sections where discussed and also an alphabetical index of subjects, so that it is extremely easy to turn at once by means of one or the other of these indices to the legislation sought.

The Acts of Assembly in Pennsylvania on this subject of business corporations are very numerous and it is therefore almost essential that an attorney have reference to some such codification in order to make sure he has the complete legislation on the subject. We feel sure that this work of Mr. Culbert will answer that purpose exceptionally well and will be found a simple, reliable and up-to-date authority in all questions on this subject.

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