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## ANNOUNCEMENT.

**THIS** collection is to be contained in one volume. It will be divided into four books, which may be obtained separately.

Book I. deals with introductory topics, beginning with the distinction between legislative, executive, and judicial powers, then passing to federal government, in other words, the general relation of State and Nation, and concluding with what may be called imperial government, or problems incident to the exercise by the Nation of governmental functions in the District of Columbia, the territories, and the insular possessions.

Book II. deals with miscellaneous topics, and especially with some of the express limitations in the Constitution of the United States, including the clauses as to *ex post facto* laws and laws impairing the obligation of contracts.

Book III. deals with due process of law and kindred topics.

Book IV. deals principally with commerce.

The literature is so vast that this collection presents only the famous cases and such of the others as may serve the ordinary purposes of the classroom. The reader with scholarly tastes is expected to make large use of the celebrated collection which for twenty years formed the basis of the instruction at this Law School — Thayer's Cases on Constitutional Law.

In editing the cases, new statements have usually been prepared, and, save as otherwise indicated, arguments of counsel have been omitted. Omissions in opinions have been indicated by dots. In the first chapter of Book I. an attempt has been made to reproduce punctuation and capitalization exactly, to the end that the reader may ascertain what importance attaches to changes in capitalizing Constitution, Congress, and other words.

The Articles of Confederation and the Constitution of the United States have been placed at the beginning, both in order to encourage the student to ascertain as soon as possible whether the Constitution was a revision of the earlier document, and also in order to aid him to form the habit of beginning every constitutional investigation by examining the words, the context, and the origin of the pertinent provision in the Constitution.





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