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OUR MISTAKE

Attentive reader Matthew Heffner rightly and tactfully notes that on page 101 of our Autumn 2010 issue

there is a typo. Line two reads “. . . more important role in our political process *that* Tushnet acknowledges here.” I believe the highlighted “that” should be “than.”

IN MEMORIAM: A.W.B. SIMPSON

It is with deep regret that we record the passing of longtime University of Michigan professor of law and longtime *Green Bag* adviser Brian Simpson. We could not say better in Brian’s memory than John Masson did in the obituary in the *University [of Michigan] Record*:

A prolific and influential writer, his signature wit and meticulous research were perhaps most evident in the mordantly titled “Cannibalism and the Common Law,” a study of a 19th Century British court case involving shipwrecked sailors who were prosecuted for killing and eating a cabin boy. The book was in keeping with Simpson’s hallmark dedication to researching the minutiae of common law cases, then presenting his findings in clear and compelling prose.

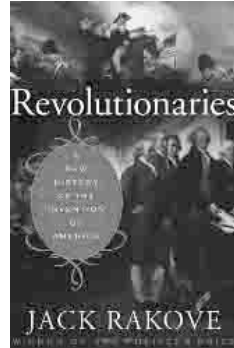
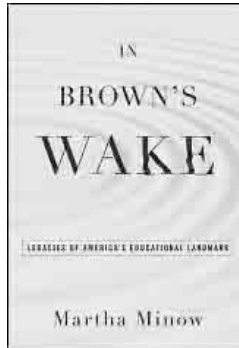
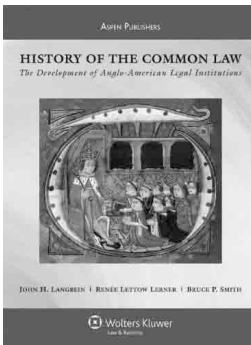


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Then there is the lesson learned in the course of that research that he passed along to his Michigan students in his 2008 farewell lecture:

When researching a case of cannibalism at sea, be sure to consult descendants of both the diners *and* the entrée.

And that was just one of his many useful and entertaining projects. And so we toast you, Brian Simpson, with “words of limitation, and not of purchase.” See 4 GREEN BAG 2D i (Autumn 2000).



EXEMPLARY LEGAL WRITING 2010

Congratulations to this year’s *Green Bag* “exemplary legal writing” honorees. Samples of their good work appear in the 2011 edition of the *Green Bag Almanac and Reader*. They are:

Opinions for the Court

Frank H. Easterbrook, *Bodum USA, Inc. v. La Cafetiere, Inc.*, 621 F.3d 624 (7th Cir. 2010)

John Gleeson, *U.S. v. Ovid*, 2010 WL 3940724 (E.D.N.Y.)

John L. Kane, *U.S. v. Brownfield*, No. 08-cr-00452-JLK (D. Colo. 2009)

Kevin G. Ross, *State v. Wiggins*, 788 N.W.2d 509 (Minn. App. 2010)