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3. The first, second, third, fourth, fifth, and sixth prizes will consist of favorable mention of the winners by name in a report of the results of the contest in some future issue of the *Green Bag*.
4. Winning lists will be printed if we have room.

— *The Editors*

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(See next page for Problem and Conditions)

TABLE A

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Use letters from Table A to make up as many as possible of the names given within the square below

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Name	Years of service	Name	Years of service	Name	Years of service
JAY,	6	THOMPSON,	20	CHASE,	9
RUTLEDGE,	2	TRIMBLE,	2	STRONG,	10
CUSHING,	21	MCLEAN,	32	BRADLEY,	22
WILSON,	9	BALDWIN,	14	HUNT,	10
BLAIR,	7	WAYNE,	32	WAITE,	14
HARRISON,	1	TANEY,	28	HARLAN,	27
IREDELL,	9	BARBOUR,	5	WOODS,	7
JOHNSON,	2	CATRON,	28	MATTHEWS,	8
PATERSON,	13	McKINLEY,	15	GRAY,	21
RUTLEDGE,	—	DANIEL,	19	BLATCHFORD,	11
CHASE,	15	NELSON,	27	LAMAR,	5
ELLSWORTH,	4	WOODBURY,	6	FULLER,	16
WASHINGTON,	31	GRIER,	23	BREWER,	15
MOORE,	5	CURTIS,	6	BROWN,	14
MARSHALL,	34	CAMPBELL,	8	SHIRAS,	12
JOHNSON,	30	CLIFFORD,	23	JACKSON,	2
LIVINGSTON,	17	SWAYNE,	20	WHITE,	11
TODD,	19	MILLER,	28	PECKHAM,	9
STORY,	34	DAVIS,	15	McKENNA,	6
DUVAL,	25	FIELD,	34	HOLMES,	2
				DAY,	1
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PROBLEM:—To make out from the letters comprising the words in TABLE A, the greatest possible number of names of Justices of the United States Supreme Court, and Attorneys-General of the United States, given in TABLE B. (*See Table on reverse of this page.*)

CONDITIONS FOR THE CONTEST.

1. Only members of the legal profession and law students can compete.
2. Only those can compete who send to The Boston Book Company before January 31, 1905 (with cash remittance), a subscription to the Green Bag for 1905 (\$4.00), or an order amounting to \$4.00 or over, for some book or books advertised in this number of Leg. Bib. Unless the lists for competition are sent with the order, the sender should notify us that he intends to compete later. The person sending the order may assign his right of competition to any other person.

3. Only those lists will be considered which reach the Boston Book Company by or before February 20, 1905. Each list must give (alphabetically) the names made out from TABLE B, with years of service of each Justice, accompanied by name and address of the sender, with a summary of how many names he has sent, the aggregate years of the terms of Supreme Court Justices contained in his list, and the number of letters not used and left over from TABLE A.

4. These lists will be opened, verified, and tabulated February 20.
The first prize will be awarded to the competitor who sends the most names from TABLE B, made up from letters contained in TABLE A.

If two or more competitors send the same number of names, the prize will be given to the one using up the most letters in TABLE A, or in other words, having the fewest letters left over.

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If two or more competitors are exactly equal in all three particulars, the prize will be divided equally between them.

The other prizes will be awarded to the competitors coming next in order, under similar conditions.

The winning lists will be printed in the April, '05, number of Legal Bibliography.
NOTE:—It will be seen that the same name often occurs twice (*i. e.*, Rutledge, Chase, etc.) in TABLE B. Where it occurs twice it may be used twice, if desired.

There are 400 letters in TABLE A, each of which can, of course, be used only once. Verify your list by crossing out the letters as you use them in making up names.

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