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This interesting lecture consists of three chapters. The first chapter deals with the problem of *ius novum* in the imperial epoch of Rome, the second with the Gnomons in the light of the Roman political administration, and the third with the Gnomon and the problem of the reception of Roman law in Egypt. Examining this problem the author discusses the factors which generally supported this process. Among these factors the author reckons especially the Roman citizens, consisting of the Roman, veterans, colonists, merchants and the staff of the Roman provincial officials, who applied Roman law in their mutual relations.

J. Walter Jones, *The Law and Legal Theory of the Greeks* (1956).

This book approaches the law of the Greeks in its more general aspects as a necessary element in the make-up of the city. It discusses what the Greeks thought about the function of law and its relation and the order of nature; and how far their legal thought was influenced by the ideas of equality, solidarity, etc. There are chapters on the sanctity ascribed to the ancestral laws, and on the treatment of the law in the popular courts. Then such special topics as Greek associations, marriage, the family, contract, property, the mental factor in wrong-doing, are reviewed in turn, and the book ends with a sketch of the fortunes of Greek rules among the barbarians. The author makes also use of the papyri and the book will therefore interest also the papyrologists (cf. p. 134, 136, 164, 178, 202, 210, 211, 221 etc.).

E. Schönbauer, *Untersuchungen über die Rechtsentwicklung in der Kaiserzeit* (JJP 9—10 [1956] 15—96).

S. Riccobono Jr., *Profilo storico del diritto romano* (1955) 528 pp.

This excellent work, although dealing with the history of Roman law, will also be of interest for students of ancient law and papyrology. Noteworthy is especially the chapter concerning the position of the Roman law in the history of ancient laws (p. 10 ff.) and the rich literature quoted in the notes on pp. 4, 5.