

discussion of the subject, is generally the cause of all contradictory views which have found expression, I purpose leaving nothing aside in order to demonstrate what the existing law is.

By bringing to light the reason of such law I shall endeavor to ascertain and explain whether it achieves or fails to achieve the end aimed at.

This will lead to find out whether it is not possible to bring about certain practical modifications of a nature to render Coroner's inquests more efficacious, while recognising always, nevertheless, that society demands complete protection, at no more than a reasonable cost.

3. I shall proceed by Articles, each Article standing for a principle or a law, of which I shall seek to demonstrate the necessity or usefulness, with or without modifications being brought to bear thereon.

PART I will treat of the general principles bearing upon the utility of inquests.

PART II will deal with investigations or inquests without a jury.

PART III will bear upon preliminaries to an inquest with a jury;—the procedures immediately preceding an inquest with a jury.

PART IV will indicate the line of procedure to be followed at inquests with a jury.

PART V will concern itself with the procedures immediately following an inquest with a jury.

PART VI will consider the other duties of Coroners, apart from an inquest, with regard to deaths.

A last part will be wholly given to a project of revising the laws regarding the Coroner's duties.