

P R E F A C E .

Since the publication of the last edition of the Parliamentary Companion, in 1885, General Elections have taken place for the Commons and in all the Provincial Legislatures, and the result is that upwards of one-third of the legislators mentioned in this volume are new men. The sketches of the members re-elected, as well as the Senators, have been personally revised in nearly every case, and every effort has been made to secure accuracy. The chapter on Parliamentary Expressions, the Senate Seniority List on page 83, and the full Index are among the new features this year, and the Editor hopes they made add to the book's utility as a work of reference.

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