

that famous Act more effective, but it also contained the substance of some other reforms which were afterwards engrafted on the Canadian law of libel. The bill had not been laid before the Legislature by reason, as far as we could discover, of the stirring events which drove its author into exile, but there can be no doubt that, had a good instead of an evil star shone upon his path, his libel bill would have been the precursor, in our old Upper Canada House of Assembly, of the great measure which, during his term of expatriation, was placed upon the statute books and became the law of England.

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