

PREFACE

TO THE

SECOND EDITION.

The favor with which the former edition of the **CRIMINAL LAW** was received by the profession has induced the authors to venture on a new edition.

They have condensed the work somewhat, and have embodied in it both the decisions of the various provinces of the Dominion and those contained in the English Law Reports down to the end of the year 1881.

A collection of the cases determined in our criminal courts cannot but be useful under a system of government like our own, whose aim is the substitution of one criminal jurisprudence and procedure for the somewhat diverse systems obtaining in the different provinces at the time of confederation. Should this work to any extent aid in this consolidation, the aim of the authors will be accomplished.

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