

P R E F A C E .

The following few loose suggestions have been submitted by me to the public in accordance with the kind recommendations of a few friends in the Law. Not originally intended for publication, their manner contains many defects which I beg to submit to the indulgence of the critical.

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OFFENCES AGAINST THE STATE, AGAINST PERSON AND PROPERTY, AND OTHER OFFENCES.

CHAPTER I.

1st.—That death in all capital cases should be inflicted as in Felony. REASON FOR SUGGESTION.—That the sentence in Treason is that the prisoner be tortured to death and mangled, in a manner revolting to modern ideas. It might be skilfully used for defence before a Jury, and, at all events, can be always used as a reproach to existing law.

2nd.—That Treason, Murder, and crimes made capital by Provincial Statutes, be the only offences punished by death.