

P R E F A C E.

The second edition of this work appeared eleven years ago. A great part of the present edition consists of entirely new matter, and the whole book has been recast and rewritten. It is much enlarged and, it is hoped, improved. The end aimed at, however, has always been, as expressed in the preface to the first edition, "to exhibit, in as compact a form as the wide scope of the subject permits, the Law of the Canadian Constitution in reference as well to our position as a Colony of the Empire as to our self-government under the federal scheme of the British North America Act."

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