

PROPOSAL

TO UNDERTAKE THIS WORK.

Sir,

3, New Square, Lincoln's Inn,
10th December, 1824.

HAVING prepared a letter for the press, addressed to the Lord Chancellor on the necessity and practicability of forming a Code of the Laws of England; I am desirous that a work on Evidence should be published, in which the principles, and general rules of that branch of the law, shall be concisely stated, and which may serve as a specimen of the plan proposed in that letter.

You have been mentioned to me, as an individual whose talents and industry would do justice to the subject; and I am willing to leave the execution of this little work entirely in your hands, after giving you the best instructions in my power, as to the views I have long indulged on this interesting topic. The letter itself will disclose my