

## PREFACE.

I have, in this work, endeavoured to measure and follow the pace of judicial work in the Exchequer Court from its early origin in England down to the present day in Canada, and have made such notes upon the jurisdiction and practice of the Court as I have thought might be of use to the practitioner.

The preparation of the work has been undertaken with the view of collecting in one book and in a convenient shape such parts of the most important Acts of Parliament as have an immediate bearing upon the jurisdiction and practice of the Court, and also all the rules and orders of the Exchequer Court, which rules and orders are now scattered through a large number of books.

By the last General Rules and Orders, published on the 1st day of May, 1895, quite a number of new rules have been put into force and a great many amendments have been made to the rules heretofore in force. All these changes have been carefully noted.

Thinking this book would not be complete unless it contained all the Rules and Orders, as well on the Revenue and Common Law side of the Court as on the Admiralty side, I have deemed it advisable to print separately, in an Appendix, at the end of this volume, the Rules and Orders governing the practice and procedure in Admiralty cases in the Exchequer Court of Canada.

The great number of inquiries received by me since 1887, as Registrar of the Court, from members of the profession in all parts of Canada, on the subject of the practice of the Exchequer Court, leads me to hope that my book, notwithstanding the crudities and imperfections of which I am only too well aware, may be received with some measure of favour by those members of the Bar who have occasion to practice before the Exchequer Court, and that its usefulness will justify its publication.

While I do not anticipate that the financial return from this publication will be in any way remunerative, yet should it prove to be a good working tool for the profession, I shall feel amply repaid for the expense and labour involved in the enterprise.

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Cases Cited,  
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