

PREFACE.

This work is the result of very many hours of diligent and at the same time pleasant research. To one who loves and is proud of his profession there is nothing more interesting than its history; and the history of the legal profession in this Province—Upper Canada or Ontario—yields in interest to that of no other.

It is my hope that the attention of others may be drawn to our past by these pages, and that others may be induced to add to our knowledge of the men and times of old.

I am wholly responsible for everything in this book (proof-reading included) except where otherwise specifically stated; and shall be glad to be informed of any error which may have crept in.

The somewhat gossiping nature of certain portions of Part IX. is deliberate; I desired to place on record all that was known of the persons mentioned; and hope that those who may have better information concerning them will make it public.

Some of the matter contained in this work has already appeared in different form in addresses to various Bar Associations, e.g., of New York, Missouri, Michigan, Chicago, etc., and in papers in legal publications, e.g., the Canada Law Journal, the Canadian Law Times, the Pennsylvania Law Journal, the Yale Law Journal, the Illinois Law Journal, the Journal of the American Institute of Criminal Law and Criminology, etc., or in other magazines; but it is here presented in somewhat more systematic form.