

NOTICE.

The TABLE TO THE STATUTES OF THE DOMINION has been made on the general plan of those of the Statutes and Ordinances which were or had been in force in Upper and Lower Canada respectively, prepared and printed by my father as Law Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of Canada, by order of that House, in 1856 and 1857. The subject of each Act is given briefly, after the year of the Reign and chapter, with the name of the Member who introduced the Bill, and the official number or letter under which it was brought in. The date of the Royal Assent is given after the first Act assented to on any day, but is not repeated unless the date changes, so that the assent to Acts as to which no date is mentioned, is to be understood to have been given on the day then last before mentioned. Then follow brief references to the Acts amended by that in question, or amending or affecting it, shewing the sections, &c., repealed or amended, and, as far as the necessary degree of brevity admitted, the nature of the amendments. More than this has not been attempted, nor would space permit; further information must be sought in the chapters and sections indicated.

The INDEX to these Statutes has been made, under each letter of the alphabet, for the Acts of each Session or Volume separately, but consecutively, and refers to the Acts as printed in such volume, without noticing the repeals or amendments; so that having found by this *Index* the Act or section dealing with any subject, it will always be advisable to refer to such Act or section in the preceding *Table*, to see whether it has been repealed or amended by any subsequent enactment.

The INDEX TO IMPERIAL STATUTES comprises such only as having been passed with express reference to Canada, or any of the Provinces now composing it, or to the colonies generally, appear to have been wholly or partly in force or unrepealed at the end of the Session of the Parliament of the United Kingdom, held in the year 1873, the date to which the *Table* and *Index to the Statutes of Canada* are brought down.

It is hoped that the public, and more especially the Members of the Legislature, and of the Legal Profession will find the work now submitted to them correct and useful.

R. J. WICKSTEED.

HOUSE OF COMMONS,

26th March, 1874.