

PREFACE TO SECOND EDITION.

This Index, adhering to the plan of the former edition, published in 1891, and continuing the same to date, is intended to cover :

(a) All the Acts of the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada, repealed and unrepealed, public and private, together with the "Revised Statutes of Canada," (R.S.C.).

(b) All Acts and parts of Acts, of the several Legislatures of the Provinces now constituting the Dominion, contained in the volume known as the "Unrepealed Statutes of Canada" (U.S.C.), published contemporaneously with the Revised Statutes of Canada.

(c) All the Imperial Statutes, Treaties, Orders in Council, Correspondence and Instructions, published from time to time with the Annual Statutes of Canada ; together with those published in the volume known as the Orders in Council of 1874 (O.C. 74).

Previously to 1875 all the Dominion Statutes of each year were included and bound in *one* volume, the pages of which were numbered consecutively from beginning to end. Subsequently to, and inclusive of the year 1875, the Statutes of each year have been arranged and published in *two* parts or volumes, the former containing the Acts of a public or general, the latter those of a local or private character; each part or volume being pagged separately.

This work will therefore embrace the material scattered over eighty-one volumes or parts of volumes, and without a work of this kind, discoverable only through the aid of eighty-one indexes.

The Criminal Code of Canada has received our special attention, and the various subjects contained therein will be found duly arranged and indexed under their proper references throughout this work.

The references enclosed within brackets signify that the subject matter indexed covers but a part of the Act or subject so enclosed.

An alphabetically arranged index to so large a number of separate works, covering all the legislation of the Dominion Parliament from the beginning down to the present day; together with such of the Statutes, Treaties and Orders, &c., of an Imperial nature as affect, or are of special interest to Canada, and such Provincial enactments as are still in force relating to matters within the jurisdiction of the Dominion Parliament, must be of advantage to every one concerned in the public affairs of the country.

Judging from the manner in which the former Edition was received, and the many desires expressed for a new one, we feel that our work has met with such general approval as to justify the preparation of this second Edition, which we now confidently submit to the public.

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