

tions in a volume such as this. In the final section of the book I have given references which will facilitate their study.

With regard to the text, I have as a general rule strictly adhered to the sources given at the head of each document. I have also purposely referred to Christie's *History of Lower Canada* as a source, because the reference will help the student. As far as possible, however, I have collated documents taken from Christie with official copies. On the whole, Christie gives an accurate text.

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