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Referring to Hansard, page 1437 of the debate which took place on April 22, 1889, it will be seen that Sir John Thompson spoke as follows in reference to the Bill:- "I think it is, as the Honourable gentleman, (Mr. Mills) has said, mostly declaratory of the common law .... It frequently is the case to declare the common law with respect to matters which are offenses..... I have said candidly to the honourable gentleman who has had charge of this Bill from the first that I think his bill, as now framed, would add no new penalty, no penalty which could not already be enforced, and will not create any new offence."

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