

## PREFACE.

The subject of Frauds on Creditors, embracing Fraudulent Transfers and Settlements and Fraudulent Preferences, is one which, though of great importance to the mercantile community and calling for frequent consideration by the practitioner, has not hitherto been the subject of any extended Canadian treatise. It was with the view of supplying in some measure the deficiency that this work was undertaken, and it is hoped that it may be found useful by those called upon to consider this somewhat difficult branch of the law.

The effect of the enactments of the different Provinces is considered, and the decisions in all Provinces, other than Quebec, as well as English cases, are cited. Numerous American cases are also referred to for the purpose of throwing light on matters not satisfactorily settled by the Canadian and English authorities.

Historical matter and discussions of theories have as far as possible been avoided, and it has also been thought preferable to adhere closely to the exact language of the Judges in cases cited, even though such a course be not conducive to continuity of expression.

In addition to the treatise on the law of Frauds on Creditors, it has been thought advisable to append a brief treatment of the subjects of Assignments for the Benefit of Creditors and Composition Deeds.

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