

PREFACE TO THE FIRST VOLUME OF THE FIRST EDITION  
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The following pages are hardly any thing else but a compilation. They may, nevertheless, perhaps prove useful. . . . .

It has not been forgotten that

Longum iter est per præcepta,  
Breve et efficax per exempla,—*Seneca.*

and the reported English Crown cases will be found  
numerously cited . . . . . The weight  
of their authority and their practical importance, for the  
Dominion of Canada, have been largely increased by the  
enactment of the Criminal Law Consolidation Acts of  
1869, based, as these are, on the Imperial Criminal Law  
Consolidation Acts of 1861, and taken almost textually  
from them.

At the end of each clause will be found cited the cor-  
responding clause of the Imperial Statute, and any mate-  
rial difference between both mentioned.

The annotations made by the learned Mr. GREAVES,  
Q.C., on "Lord Campbell's Acts," of 1851, and the Con-  
solidated Acts of 1861, have been compiled and inserted  
(under each section.) These annotations are rendered the  
more valuable by the fact that these Statutes were framed  
by Mr. Greaves who, it will be remembered, was said by a  
high authority in England, in 1874, to be "the most  
eminent living writer on the subject of Criminal Law."