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The compiler of this little work begs to offer it to the candour and intelligence of the legal profession, as well as to others who may at times require to consult the Statute Book, hoping that it may prove useful to all, including that class to which he more especially belongs, viz., law students. It will enable them to see at a glance how far the consolidation of 1850 is affected by subsequent enactments, dispensing with the necessity which formerly obtained, of ransacking volumes in order to form a correct opinion upon any legal subject. Should the favourable verdict of the profession justify these assumptions, the pains bestowed on these pages will not have been entirely wasted. Thanking those of the profession who have kindly assisted him in this compilation, the subscriber trusts that the result may prove advantageous to all for whose benefit it has been undertaken.

In conclusion, the compiler cannot refrain from offering his humble tribute to the revered memory of the late Sir J. B. Robinson, Bart., through whose kind advice and assistance he was encouraged to bring this work before the legal profession and the public.

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