

## PREFACE.

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This Volume, containing the Local and Private Acts, closes the series, agreeably to the directions of the Act of Assembly 17 V. c. 16, published in the Second Volume.

It may be necessary to repeat that the First Volume contains the *Public Statutes as revised by the Law Commissioners*. The Second Volume also contains *Public Statutes, but not revised* for the reasons given in the Preface to that Volume. The Third Volume includes the *Local and Private Statutes*, which could not be revised without the risk of interfering with private interests.

Of the immense number of Local and Private Acts, I have selected such as were unrepealed in part, or in the whole; and whoever carefully examines this Volume and compares it with the number of books and annual publications of the Laws, with the variety of repealed Acts, Sections, and parts of Sections, will understand the degree of attention, labour, and time required for its preparation and passage through the Press.

The Laws for the City and County of Saint John alone are so numerous—occupying no less than two hundred and five pages of this Volume—and so complicated, that the Act for “*repairing the Streets and Bridges of the City of Saint John*,” was printed before it was discovered that all but the first and second Sections were repealed by 16 V. c. 37, under the incongruous title of “*An Act to amend the Charter*,” &c. And the old County Court Act, so far as it extends to the City, remains on the Statute Book, although containing some provisions difficult to reconcile with the late Act of 13 V. c. 8, in *amendment of the Practice of the City Court*.

Of the mass of private Corporations, I have inserted those respecting which certificates have been filed in the Secretary’s Office, with the exception of such as upon careful enquiry I found had become extinct; together with some others which had long been in operation, and had been recognized as such by subsequent Statutes.