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Whereas it is expedient to amend the enactments now in force in Upper Canada, as respects inquests upon the bodies of persons dying in any lunatic asylum, and the disposal of the bodies of persons so dying, so as to make the law, in that behalf, uniform throughout the Province:

5 Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:—

1. So much of the second section of chapter one hundred and twenty-five of the Consolidated Statutes for Upper Canada, or of any other Act or Law, as would require that a Coroner's Inquest should be held upon the body of every prisoner or other lunatic confined in any lunatic asylum, and dying therein, is hereby repealed; and no inquest shall be held on the body of any such person by any Coroner, unless until it has been made to appear to such Coroner that there is reason to believe that the deceased died of violence or unfair means, or by negligent conduct, either of himself or of others, under such circumstances as require investigation, and not through mere accident or mischance.
- Sect. 2, of
cap. 125, Con.
Stat., U. C.,
amended.
- Inquests to be
held only in
cases where
required by
the general
law.
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2. So much of the second section of chapter seventy-six of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada as would, in certain cases, require that the body of any person dying in a lunatic asylum, should be delivered to the persons qualified to receive the same under section three of the said Act, is hereby repealed, and the body of any person so dying shall be decently interred.
- Sect. 2, of
cap. 76, of 1
Con. Stat.,
Can., repealed.
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