

## P R E F A C E .

WHAT Livy has said of the old Roman Law—*tam immensus aliarum super alias acervatarum legum cumulus*—was equally applicable to the Statutes of this State before their codification, in 1860. This tendency of legislation requires to be constantly counteracted. Since 1860, the body of laws has greatly increased. If it be here found to be reduced into a less unwieldy form, the purpose of this Compilation will have been accomplished.

This Supplement to the Maryland Code, contains all the Public General and Public Local Laws passed since the adoption of the Code, in 1860, by the Legislatures of 1861, 61-62, 64, 65, 66 and 67, now in force in Maryland, arranged in articles and sections to correspond with the Code, with head, marginal and general indices, marginal references to the acts of Assembly, and notes to decisions of the Court of Appeals, on the acts, and also to the Constitution of 1867, and to other relevant matters.

The first, second and third Supplements to the Code, in which were codified the acts of 1861, 61-62, 64 and 65, being out of print, and the acts of 1866 and 1867 not being codified, and many amendments having been made to the acts codified in those Supplements, it was deemed necessary to codify the whole legislation since the adoption of the Code, into one volume. This has accordingly been done in this work; which contains all the acts of Assembly amending, changing, modifying, repealing or adding to the articles and sections of the Code of Public General and Public Local Laws from 1860 to 1867, inclusive.

The acts are here codified into articles and sections to correspond with the Code. In addition, however, to such arrangement, the compiler has adopted in this work, the plan of Frederick C. Brightly, Esq., of the Philadelphia Bar, in his well known and popular Digests of the Laws of the United States and of Pennsylvania. Accordingly, there is placed at the head of each article a complete index of its contents,