

## Criminal Procedure Act 1865

## **1865 CHAPTER 18**

## **3** How far Witness may be discredited by the Party producing.

A Party producing a Witness shall not be allowed to impeach his Credit by general Evidence of bad Character but he may, in case the Witness shall, in the Opinion of the Judge, prove adverse, contradict him by other Evidence, or, by Leave of the Judge, prove that he has made at other Times a Statement inconsistent with his present Testimony; but before such last-mentioned Proof can be given the Circumstances of the supposed Statement, sufficient to designate the particular Occasion, must be mentioned to the Witness, and he must be asked whether or not he has made such Statement.