

have been made, but it being considered desirable that the volume should be limited to moderate dimensions, and be issued with as little delay as might be, the Editor has been compelled to restrict himself to those contained in the following pages. For additional authorities, the professional reader is referred to Sugden V. & P. (13th and 14th editions) chap. 22, section 4; to the valuable list of cases contained in 4 Chitty's Statutes, 3rd ed. (1865) pp. 76 et seq.; those comprised in Brunker's Digest of Irish Common Law Cases, pp. 718 et seq.; and those cited in argument in the case of *Read v. Whitehead* (i), to which leading decision of our own courts several references will be found in the following notes.

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