PREFACE.

London undertakings have been the subject of special legislation contained in the London Electric Supply Act, 1908, the London (Westminster and Kensington) Electric Supply Companies' Act, 1908, and the London Electric Supply Act, 1910.

The number of Power Acts has increased, and to a certain extent a common form has been evolved.

Regulations as to the generation, transformation, distribution and use of electrical energy in factories and workshops have been made under the Factory and Workshop Acts, 1901 and 1907, and as to the use of electricity in coal mines under the Coal Mines Act, 1911. Rules have also been made under the Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act, 1872, with regard to the use of electricity in other mines, and will be found set out at p. 475, in the form in which they were proposed to be made when this Work went to press, and in which they have since come into operation.

A large number of decisions have been given by the courts upon points affecting the powers or obligations of electric undertakers, and it is believed that all such decisions given down to the end of July last have been referred to in their proper places.

In consequence of these additions to and alterations in the law the Work has been thoroughly revised and the Introduction and many other parts entirely rewritten. To some extent, also, the arrangement of the volume has been altered.

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