

the region of merely professional studies. Large questions of Church and State, or of capital and labour, to say nothing of more purely academic problems, are deeply involved in the rules which judges and legislators may devise upon the 'law of associations'. For the study and solution of such questions it seems material to discover, if we can, what are the main principles underlying our existing rules. Beyond an attempt at such inquiry this essay cannot claim to go, and it will have done well if it can induce some one more well equipped than I am to work out the whole problem in full.

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