## PREFACE.

Feeling that merchants intrusting their business to an assignee would find satisfaction in the use of a book containing a short and clear statement of the law relating to assignments and preferences, by which they might not only be advised of their own rights but have the means of judging whether the assignee is acting strictly in accordance with legal requirements and in the interest of the estate intrusted to his care, I have requested Mr. A. C. McMaster, Barrister-at-law of the legal firm of McMaster, Scott & Geary, to prepare the following work which I am confident will be found accurate and of considerable service to those requiring to use it.

## DAVID BLACKLEY.

Toronto, 5th of April, 1895.

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