

P R E F A C E.

THE object of this publication may be stated in very few words. It is to furnish, in convenient form, all Statutes and parts of Statutes unrepealed and in force, akin to the Common Law Procedure Acts, 1856. Beyond this, the work has no claim upon the legal profession. It was undertaken at the pressing solicitation of many members of the profession.

The volume is one of "Practical Statutes:" by which is meant, such Statutes as especially relate to the practice of the Courts. Within these limits, the Editor has striven to confine his materials. He has done so, because a contrary course would have opened up a field so great as to swell this volume to a compass which would have rendered it inconvenient for the purposes intended.

In the prospectus issued, the profession were promised "a simple but complete compilation." This promise, consistently with the design of the work, has been, it is hoped fulfilled. The aim of the publishers was to produce a cheap, practical and useful book. Whether they have done so or not, it is for others to judge. In submitting the publication to the candour and discernment of the profession, the publishers