PREFACE TO FIRST EDITION.

This Treatise contains the text of the Lectures which I have delivered for some years past in University College.

As my design has been only to furnish to Students a textbook for such parts of the subject as are required for the ordinary degree of B. A. in Universities, I have not thought it advisable to burden this work with mere explanation or illustration, or to add examples; presuming that such, where necessary, will be furnished in the Lecture-room or by the Tutor.

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