## PREFACE.

THE first edition of this Treatise was published early in the Session of 1862, when the new Rules adopted by the Legislative Council assimilating the practice of the two Houses first came into operation. Certain modifications of the Rules and practice, calculated to define more clearly the requirements of the Rules, and the powers of the Committee on Standing Orders, and also to facilitate the transaction of business between the two Houses, were suggested in the course of the Session, and these having been agreed upon by the Private Bill Committee of each House, were embodied in Reports to the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, respectively, and received their concurrence.

The alterations thus made, though comparatively unimportant, rendered it desirable that a new edition of this work should be issued; and the Committee of the Legislative Assembly having specially recommended that this should be done, a second edition has been prepared accordingly, embodying the changes above referred to, and also the precedents established by decisions and practice in the year 1862.

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