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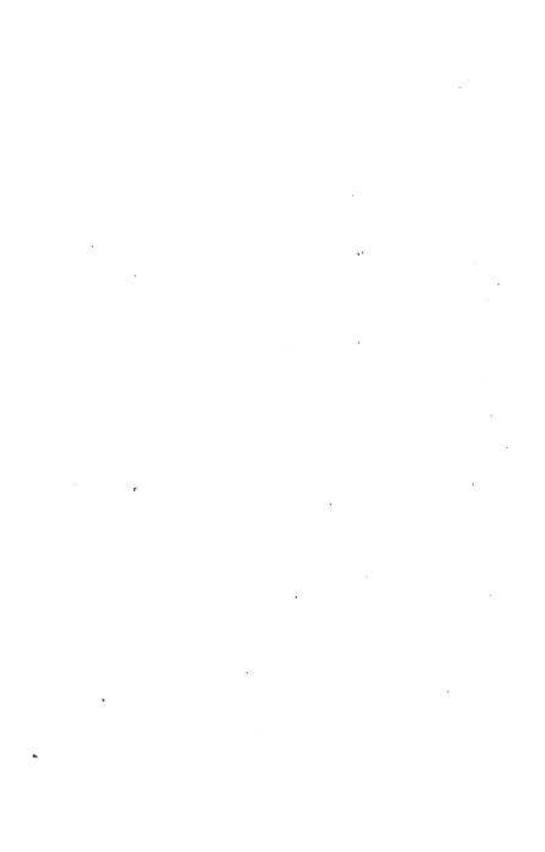
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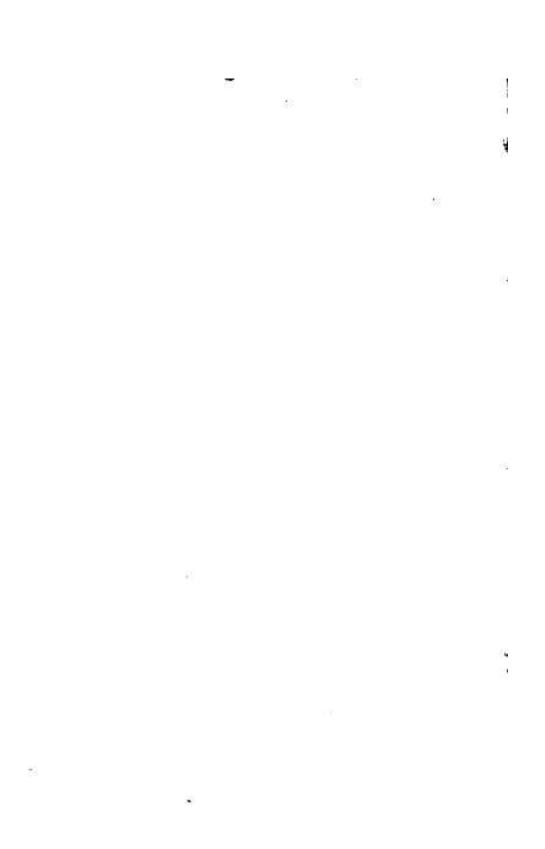


PREFACE.

I AM sure my friend Bull will take these Letters in the same friendly spirit in which they are written. We often wonder at one another simply for want of a like knowledge. The Surgeon's boy wondered why his master should condescend to have "SALVE" written on his His master however merely indoor-mat. tended a welcome to strangers. People who wonder at Lawyers, at what they do and at what they object to, sometimes merely want a little information. This I have endeavoured to supply in as plain and pleasant a manner as I could. I have tried to write pleasantly, wishing to be read,—and plainly, wishing to be understood.

J. W.

 New Square, Lincoln's Inn, 23rd March, 1857.



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LAWYERS AND LAW REFORM.

LETTER I.

PROFESSIONAL REMUNERATION.

DEAR BULL,

is, as you will no doubt agree with me, something like going to Town on a winter's morning by the Eastern Counties Railway. The country air feels fresh and crisp; you can see distinctly the Essex. Hills; you breathe freely, and feel light of heart and joyous. But as you come near your journey's end, a sad change overspreads the scene. The distant objects look more and more dim, your field of vision is gradually circumscribed, the air becomes heavy, you plunge in fact into a dense fog; and the multitude of little lights that shine upon you from the shop windows, when you leave the