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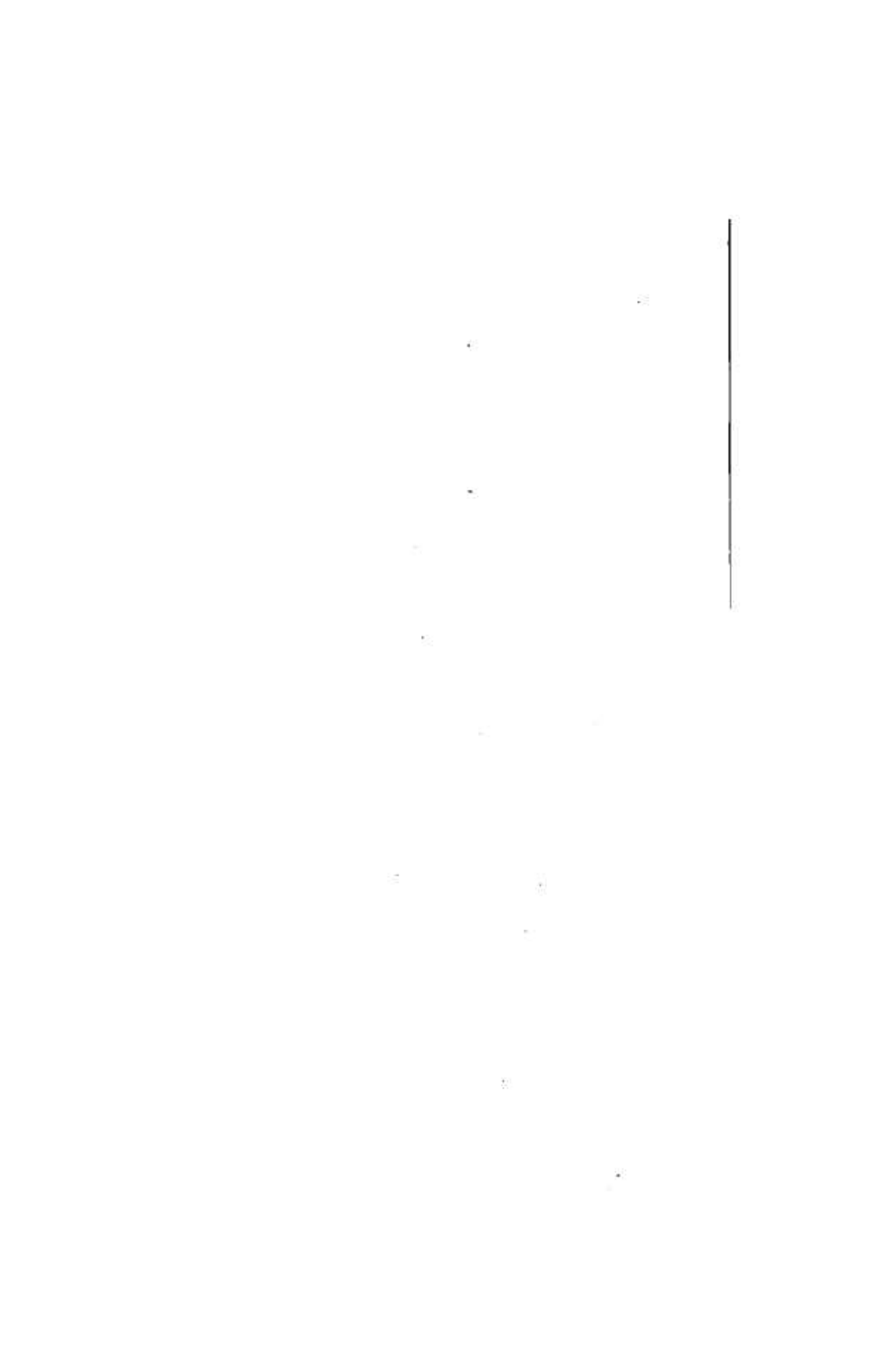
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PREFACE.



THE subject of these pages was suggested by William Tidd, Esq., the venerable author of the most scientific book of practice in the Law; and the Compiler is not without a hope that his humble attempt to explain a form of pleading which Attornies are constantly called on to prepare, and to which Pupils are almost immediately introduced on their entrance into chambers, may be useful to those members of the Profession.

The declaration upon bills and notes, though of ordinary occurrence, contains very numerous allegations, of considerable nicety; and

though some general forms of it, in particular cases, have been promulgated by the judges, yet it is almost impossible to understand, or safely to apply them, without a knowledge of the principles upon which they are founded. To render this knowledge of easy reference, is the main object of the Book. With this view a running text, divided into numbered paragraphs, explanatory of every part of the declaration, is first given; and in the last chapter are the forms of T. 1, W. 4, and a few others framed in conformity with the judges' directions, in which figures are annexed to each allegation, referring to such parts of the text as explain the reasons for their insertion. In the second chapter will be found a view of the powers of amendment vested in the judges by the statute 3 & 4 W. 4, c. 42; and it may here be as well to observe, that all cases deciding a variance to be fatal before the passing of that act, must be considered with reference to the powers mentioned in that chapter.

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With these few remarks, the following pages are submitted with great diffidence to the notice of the Profession.

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