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PREFACE.

IN a former Handbook the attempt was made to state as clearly and concisely as possible the rules to be followed by a Testator in the making of a Will. In close connection, and of equal consequence, with this subject are the Rights and Duties of Executors and Administrators: since every person is liable at any moment to be called upon to perform one of these important offices. In addition to this, by the Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1861, which came into operation in June of last year, the method of obtaining probate or administration, when the whole personal estate, wherever situate, does not exceed 300*l.*, has been much simplified. Radical alterations were, also, by that statute effected in the Probate Duty, and relief granted under certain circumstances from the Legacy and Succession Duties. In the following pages it has been the chief aim to state as accurately as possible the general nature of Executors and Administrators, together with their rights, duties and liabilities, and the practical steps necessary to be taken to obtain Probate of a Will

or Letters of Administration. Although written primarily for the general public, and, therefore, as far as possible, in simple language, a few cases have been added in the present work, which, it is hoped, may be of service to the ordinary practitioner. It is of course impossible, and would be manifestly unfair, in a work on any subject dealing with Executors, to omit freely to acknowledge the obligation and assistance derived from Mr. Justice Williams' excellent text-book, which has long been recognized as the chief authority on this branch of the law.

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