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OF

BLACKSTONE'S LAW OF REAL PROPERTY

INTRODUCTION.1

THE PLACE OF THE LAW OF REAL PROPERTY IN BLACKSTONE'S SYSTEM.

THE arrangement which seems to have been intended by Blackstone in his Commentaries is as follows:—

He first expressly distinguishes Law regarding Rights from Law regarding Wrongs, a distinction which is practically equivalent to a division of the Corpus juris into the Law regarding Primary and Secondary (or Sanctioning) Rights.

The Law of Primary Rights is further subdivided by Blackstone into the so-called Jura personarum, or Law regarding those rights which concern or are annexed to the persons of men, and the Jura rerum, which he describes as the 'Right which a man may acquire over things unconnected with his person.'

² The writer of the Analysis is entirely responsible for the form and matter of the Introduction.