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#### PREFACE.

By the 5 & 6 Will. 4, c. 50, (which will come into operation on the 20th of March, 1836,) the whole of the Statutes relating to the highways in *England*, have been repealed; and the provisions contained therein have been consolidated and amended.

By this Statute the mode of appointment of the surveyor is altered, who is to be elected by the parishioners in vestry, without being subject to the approval of Justices; the previous provisions respecting the statute labour and composition in lieu thereof have been repealed, and a rate substituted instead; which rate is to be made and recovered, &c. in the same way as a poor-rate. With respect also to the turning and diverting

of a highway, a considerable alteration has been made, the question as to the highway being nearer or more commodious being to be decided by a Jury instead of by the Court of Quarter Sessions; the mode of presentment by a Justice, in case a highway is out of repair, is repealed, and instead thereof a summary mode of proceeding before two Justices is substituted, unless the obligation to repair is disputed, in which case, the party supposed to be liable to repair must be indicted.

The statute labour and composition in lieu thereof having been taken away, it follows that after March, 1836, no order can be made for any part of the highway rate to be applied to the repair of the turnpike roads, and which Justices are now required to make pursuant to the provisions of the General Turnpike Acts.

The following pages have been carefully examined and compared with the Statute 5 & 6 Will. 4, c. 50. Notes have been added with a view to explain the provisions. References have been made to the Statutes respecting the

allowance, publication, recovery of, and appeal against poor rates, &c. and the provisions thereof, with the cases decided thereon, being applicable to the highway rate, are inserted in the Notes. A Table of Contents and Forms, together with a copious index, have been added, so as to render the Work useful and easy of access to Magistrates, as well as to Surveyors and others, on whom the duties, &c. imposed by the Act may devolve, or who may be interested therein.

<sup>4,</sup> ELM COURT, TEMPLE, October, 1835.

## ERRATA.

The "Fonn" inserted at p. 41, note (a), belongs to s. 53, p. 42.