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### To My Dear Teacher and Friend Sugnie Arthenins

THE FOUNDER OF THE DISSOCIATION THEORY

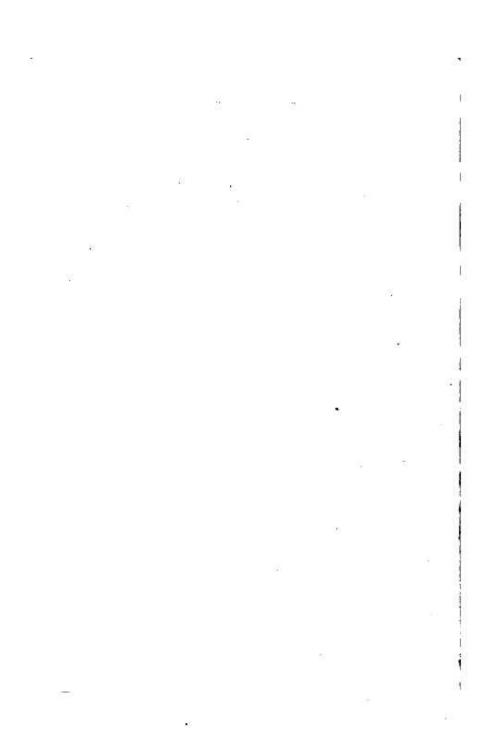
### TRANSLATOR'S PREFACE.

It seemed worth while to give English readers the benefit of this account of the electrolytic dissociation theory at the hand of a master of its details and applications.

I gladly acknowledge my indebtedness, in so many ways, to my wife in preparing this translation, and also to Dr. Frederic Bonnet, Jr., of Worcester Polytechnic Institute, for helpful criticisms and suggestions.

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### AUTHOR'S PREFACE.

As reasons for acting in place of the founder in presenting the dissociation theory, I may be permitted to mention the request of the publisher of this collection <sup>1</sup> to undertake the task, and to this I would add the enthusiasm which must seize upon every one who has taken the opportunity to study thoroughly this beautiful theory and learn how many old problems have been solved by it at one stroke, and how many new ones have come into view and been mastered.

Quite recently, Roloff set himself the same task for a similar class of readers, and it offered some difficulty to keep this presentation from becoming merely competitive. I have for that reason touched but briefly upon the historical development, which is so adequately given by Roloff, and have endeavored to confine myself more to the detailed account of the chemical side, particularly to the development of the equilibrium relations among electrolytes. While I believed that Ostwald's exposition in his "Foundations of Analytical Chemistry," which showed

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Sammlung chemischer und chemisch-technischer Vorträge," edited by Prof. Dr. Felix B. Ahrens (Ferd. Enke, Stuttgart).