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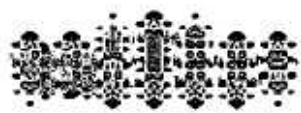
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RESPECTFULLY DEDICATED,

BY HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS'S

OBEDIENT AND HUMBLE SERVANT,

THE AUTHOR.

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PREFACE.



THIS Treatise is intended to contain a summary of those principles of Law and Equity which govern the acquisition and transfer of property in Mines, and the duties, rights, and liabilities of Mine-owners and Adventurers, arising out of their relations among themselves and to the Public. The Statutes bearing upon these questions, directly or indirectly, as well as those which regulate the employment of labour in Mines, and the relations of masters with their workmen, and punish criminal offences against mining property, have been noticed; and the substance has been given of every decided case of which the Author is aware interpreting those Statutes, or illustrating the application of legal or equitable principles to Mining transactions. The peculiar customs of Cornwall and Devonshire,

and the cost-book system of Mining, which have been much discussed in the Courts, though little by text writers, have been treated of at some length. A short exposition has been attempted of the valuable jurisdiction and practice of the Stannaries Court; and the Acts of Parliament constituting that Court and prescribing its functions, together with its published Rules and Regulations, have been printed in the Appendix.

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