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PREFACE.

IN treating so vast a subject within the narrow limits of an essay it is impossible to give a full description of every contract: I shall therefore assume the reader to be familiar with the ordinary terms and rules of Roman Law. It is equally impossible to discuss every debatable point on which historians have differed. Such works as the two large volumes by Bechmann on the history of Sale are indeed a rebuke to superficial scholarship; but the present essay professes only to be a sketch, and I shall be satisfied if I succeed in making the outlines clear.

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