

PREFACE TO SECOND EDITION.

THE favorable reception of this work by the public and the press is, I trust, a sufficient reason for so soon offering a second edition.

In response to many requests I have added the original text of the Magna Charta of King John. I have not given the Latin originals of the other charters, because they are not so much the subject of the treatise, as they are exemplary of it. In other respects, with the exception of some few minor changes, this edition is a reprint of the first.

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