PREFAaCE TO THE SEVENTH EDITION.

At the request of the heirs of the late Judge Cooley I have undertaken the preparation of this edition of the Constitutional Limitations. It seemed desirable, in view of all the circumstances, that the text of the last edition should stand as the text for this, and the work of the present editor has been confined to the bringing of the book down to date, by the addition of such matter to the notes as will fairly present the development of this branch of the law since the publication of the last edition. No effort has been made to exhaust the cases reported in this period, but a judicious selection from such cases has been attempted, and the additions appear in the bracketed matter of the notes. Where it seemed more appropriate to add the new matter through new references from the text, that course has been followed, and such matter is found in the single column annotations. The other new matter is incorporated in the old notes. The particular experience, or better judgment of some, will suggest a different selection in some cases, but it is hoped that what has been done will meet reasonably well the common need. When equally desirable on other grounds, cases found in one or the other, and sometimes in both, the Lawyers' Reports Annotated and the American State Reports have been chosen, that they might be available to a greater number. For a like reason, citations to the National Reporter System of reports have been added, not only for the new cases cited, but for the old cases as well so far as found in the Reporters. The editor desires to acknowledge his obligation to William J. Meyers for his most valuable assistance in preparing this edition.

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