

PREFACE.

THE Law of *Ultra Vires* embraces mainly the limitations of powers conferred on bodies corporate by Acts of Legislature. Owing to the demise of Mr. Das, the publication of his lectures on the subject, then in press, had been suspended and various causes retarded the progress of the work for a number of years. It was late last year that I was asked to re-arrange the dishevelled matter in manuscript and to complete the edition. During the score of years that have elapsed since the delivery of the lectures, the law has been considerably modified by the expansion of the statutory powers of existing corporations and by the creation of new corporations under special and general enactments. For fear that the matter already in print would be wasted it was thought expedient to supplement the lectures by addenda, so that when so amplified, they receive a continuity of treatment and present a progressive expression of the law relating to *Ultra Vires* in British India.

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