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This is a tabular analysis of the law of real property, based on that part of Blackstone, Vol. II, dealing with the subject. It consists of nineteen diagrams, similar to those in Archbold's Christian's Blackstone, supplemented by the incorporation of Hutchins' notes to Williams on Real Property. It is a book for the student, not the practitioner, and is an attempt to render the study of the law less difficult and its retention easier by placing before the eye of the student a picture of the subject with which it deals.

Experience shows that the student is aided in his study by making such diagrams; whether he is assisted by having them made for him is not so clear. The incorporation of Hutchins' notes on real property, not as notes, but as part of the text undistinguishable from the original of Blackstone, is unfortunate; it will confuse the student of Blackstone to find in the diagrams things that do not appear in Blackstone, and the student of real property will not be helped by seeing things obsolete for a hundred years given equal prominence with existing legal entities. Some method should have been devised, either the use of different type or the use of notes, to indicate to the student what portion of the law as tabulated is law and what portions have been outgrown.