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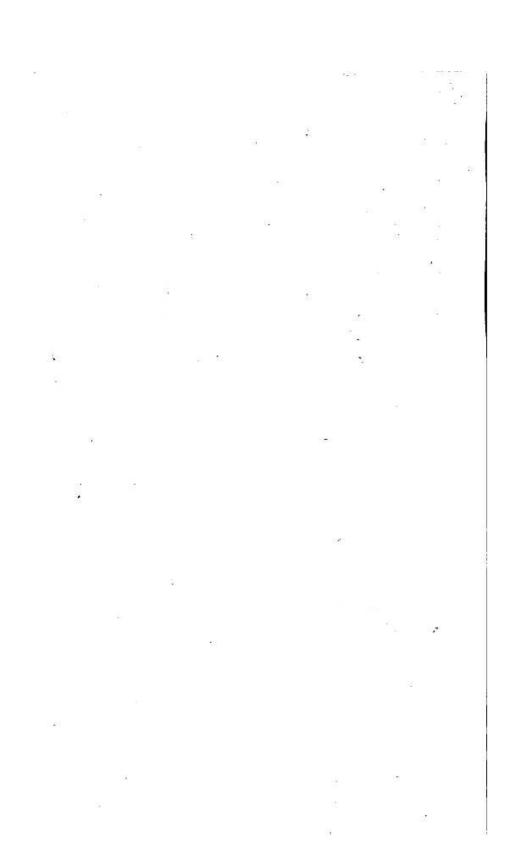
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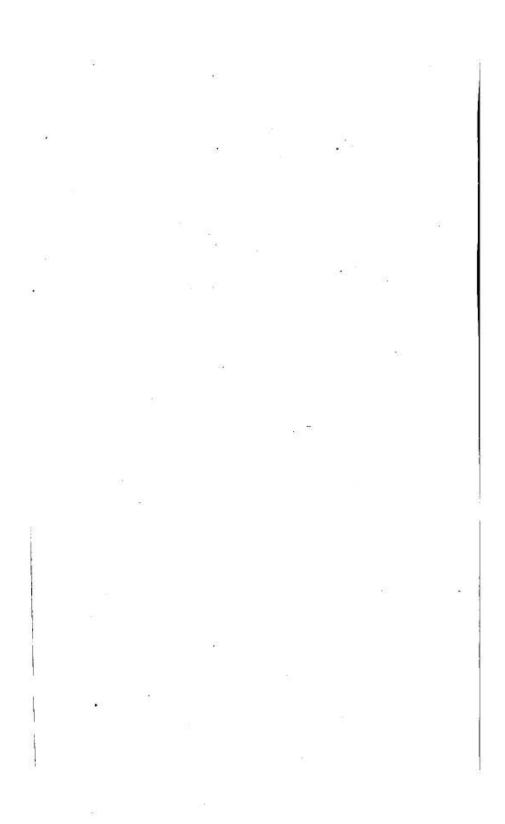
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We are indebted to Mr. A. Lloyd, the antiquarian bookseller, 115 Nassau-etreet, New York, for the privilege of republishing it, and to our untiring friend, Nev. M. H. Gillett, D.D., of Harlem, N. Y., for the very carefully-prepared Introductory Note from his own pan, which precedes it.

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#### INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

Faw pieces in ecclesiastical or theological controversy ever published in this country, are, in themselves and their results, so memorable, historically, as that which appeared in Boslou in 1722, under the title of A Short and Easis Method with the Debate, etc. It was the reprint, with slight alterations, of the noted work by Charles Leelle, but at the close of this, which extended only to forty-one octavo pages, was introduced A Discourse concerning Episcopaes; which retended from the iorty-dist to the one hundred and twenty-seventh page, the whole closing with The Epistle of Ignature to the Trailians.

The work was published at London, by A. Applebes; but was "sold by John Checkler, at the sign of the Crown and "Bine Gate, over-against the West-End of the Town-House in Boston. To hon Checkley therefore might be considered the Boston Tublisher; and the Discourse Concerning Episcopaes was drawn up by him, who was compelled doubless to send to England to procure its printing. Checkley was born in Boston, in 1880, but his parents were from England; and throughout his life he was most until really devoted to the interests of the English Church. His feelings, or perhaps we might eavy proudless, were very strong, and he was as violont an Anti-Calviniet and Non-iuror, as he was Roiscopallan. His education was well cared for. He was placed at an early are under the care of Eachel Checver, and enbesquently word to England, and inshed his studies at the University of Onford, although he seems never to have received a degree.

Abounding in wit and humor, he must have been a genial companion. After his return to this country, he fell in with one who was avertal years his junior, but in many respects was fully his equal; while on the leading theological quastions of the day, the two young men held positions of the day, the two young men held positions of the day, the two young men held positions of the care of the second of th