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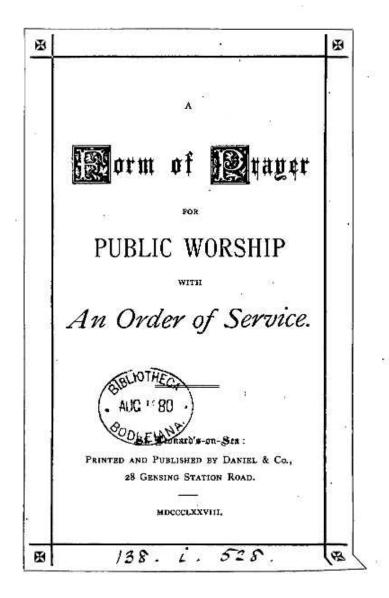
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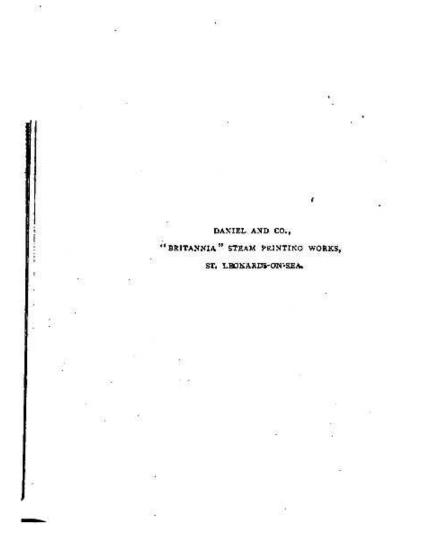
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PREFACE.

A strong desire has been manifested during the last few years among the various Free Churches for a Service which should embrace some form of LITURGY with EXTEMPORANEOUS PRAYER.

This little book has been prepared in the hope of meeting that want.

 It is compiled, as will readily be seen, from the Book of Common Prayer, as used in the Church of England; and the aim has been to abbreviate rather than to alter that beautiful Service.

But whilst the people unite audibly in common confession, ' thanksgiving, and supplication, a sufficient provision has been made for free prayer, through which the Minister may refer to special needs and passing events.

May all who use this book be filled with that spirit of worship, without which all prayers, whether prepared or spontaneous, must be alike profitless and in vain.

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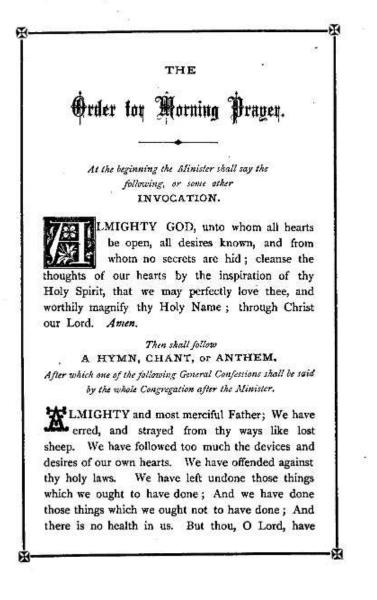
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mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. *Amen.*

Or this,

LMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus M. Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do carnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us; Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past: And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Then the Minister shall read one or more of the following or other passages of Scripture; the people still kneeling,

HAVE no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord God; wherefore turn yourselves and live ye. *Eschiel xviii, 32.*

Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord; though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool. Isaiah i, 18.

He that covereth his sins shall not prosper; but whose confesseth and forsaketh them, shall have mercy. Proverbs xxviii, 13.

If any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; And he is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. *Ist John ii, 1, 2.*

Then the Lord's Frayer shall be said by the whole Congregation after the Minister.

UR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.