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PREFACE

IN 1884 the late Bishop of Edinburgh, Dr. Dowden, published his well-known work, the *Annotated Scottish Communion Office*. In it he dealt at full length with the present Scottish Liturgy from the historical and textual standpoint. The Scottish Liturgy in its present form was not the only product of the learning of the Scottish clergy of the eighteenth century; other services were drawn up about the same time for other purposes; these are still in manuscript, and are practically unknown to liturgical students. But besides the written and printed liturgical services there also grew up and were handed down a number of traditional customs connected with the rendering of the Scottish Liturgy and the other ordinary services of the Church. These customs are strictly of the nature of ceremonial, although that word is one of the last which would be popularly applied to the majority of them. They are of great liturgical interest, and several of them are of some practical value. With the kind assistance of many friends the writer has collected all that seems to be known about them, and he ventures to exhibit the result of his labours in the following pages. As far as possible he has tried to avoid encroaching on the ground which Dr. Dowden covered in his careful and accurate treatise on the text of the liturgy; and he has confined himself to customs which have clustered round our present services,