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PREFACE

THIS little volume reproduces the substance, and for the most part the exact words, of four lectures which were delivered to clergy at Oxford in July, 1911, and which have appeared, in a somewhat abbreviated form, as a series of papers in The Churchman, October, 1911-May, 1912. What was omitted there has been restored here, and considerable additions have been made, in some places to the text, and in many places to the notes. For lack of time, very few of the notes were read when the lectures were delivered. At the conclusion of the course, the lecturer was asked by some who had heard him whether what he had said would be published, and he was unable at the time to make any certain reply. The papers in The Churchman were a partial response to that suggestion, and the present volume is a more complete response. For convenience, the first three lectures have each of them been divided into two sections, and the fourth lecture has been divided into three.

The purpose of the book is identical with the purpose of the lectures, viz. to increase interest in an