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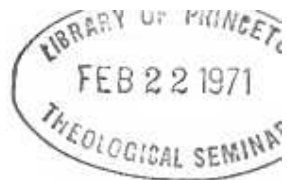
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## P R E F A C E.

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IN the following Lectures two objects have been kept in view, namely :—

*First*, to show that the conflict which ended in the Disruption had really been going on more or less prominently since the time of the Reformation.

*Secondly*, to indicate (Lecture VI.) the importance of the Voluntary Controversy in preparing for the events of 1843. This part of the subject has hitherto received less attention than it deserves.

All through the History it will be seen how closely the principle of Spiritual Independence is connected with the cause of Civil Liberty, and still more with the interests of vital religion in the Church and in the country.

