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Preface to the second Edition.

THE hopes and fears, expressed in the Preface to the First Edition of this book, have been alike realized.

On the one hand the imprisonments of clergymen already referred to ¹ have been succeeded by that of the Rev. S. F. Green, of Miles Platting, on account of his inability to recognize the spiritual character of the jurisdiction which is claimed by Lord Penzance. Mr. Green has been confined in Lancaster Castle for more than eight months, nor is there, at the present moment, any prospect of his speedy release.

On the other hand, a Royal Commission has been appointed to inquire into the constitution of the modern courts which adjudicate on questions of Christian doctrine and ritual in the Church of England. And the names of some of the commissioners are of themselves a guarantee that they will not separate without suggesting an

¹ Preface to First Edition, pp. xii, xxxiv.