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In preparing for this "Study" I carefully reperused all that had been written on its theme by the great scholars and thinkers for whom the imposing but enigmatical figure of the Chaldean Prophet has possessed a singular fascination, from Bishop Butler down to Cardinal Newman. Whatever I felt to be most helpful and suggestive,—and I found my most valuable aids in the sermons of Butler, F. D. Maurice, and F. W. Robertson,—I have woven, with due acknowledgment, into my own work. And hence I would fain hope that this little book will be found useful to those who wish to acquaint themselves with the best that has been thought and written on a confessedly difficult problem.

Of my own solution of that problem I must leave my readers to judge for themselves. But I may be permitted to say that the substance of this volume has already appeared in the pages of *The Expositor*—

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*PREFACE.*

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re-appearing here with only a few corrections and some slight additions ; and that in this earlier shape it gained a favourable and generous verdict from the leading critical journals, and won the general approval of many of our most eminent Biblical scholars, among whom were three or four of our most learned Hebraists. Encouraged by these tokens of favour, I now venture to reproduce it in this separate and compendious form.

S. COX.

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