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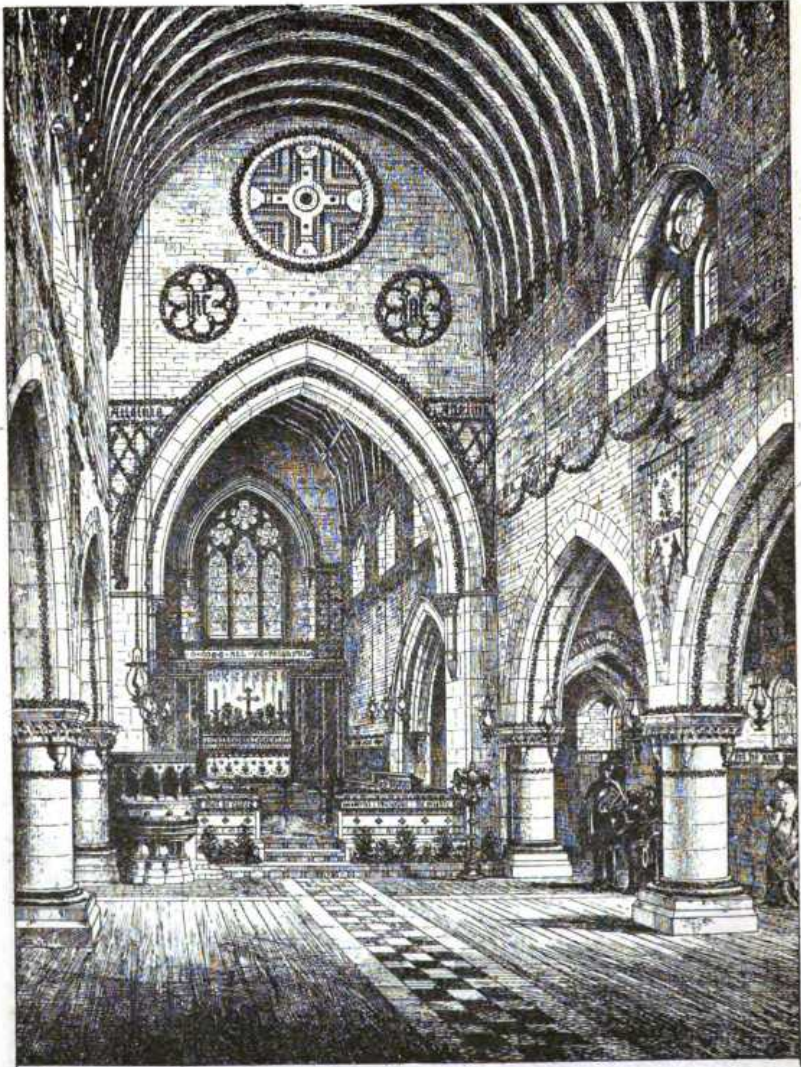
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PREFACE TO THE FIRST EDITION.

THE following pages are intended to serve as a plain practical compendium of the Art of Garnishing Churches at Christmas and other Festivals. The principles of the art are briefly discussed, and the rules for applying them are given so fully that they will, it is hoped, suffice for the guidance of the most inexperienced amateurs.

The subject has been considered solely in its æsthetical aspects. A great diversity of opinion prevails as to the proper limits of Ecclesiastical Decoration; but the Author has entirely abstained from entering into that controversy. He has contented himself with giving designs and methods, varying widely in character, and suitable, some to the most elaborately, and some to the most simply decorated edifices.

Every available treatise relating to the present and allied subjects has been considered. The information derived from these sources has been combined with the results of the Author's own practical experience—which is considerable—and with the valuable suggestions of several clergymen and others, who have successfully practised the beautiful art, which applies some of Nature's gifts to illustrate the successive seasons of the Christian year.

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