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TO THE SECOND EDITION.

THE present edition of the "Lives of the Twelve Apostles" will, it is hoped, be found an improvement on the first. The work has been considerably enlarged, and its form has, in some respects, been changed. A Life of John the Baptist is now prefixed to the other lives, and a Life of the Apostle Matthias is added at the close. The Notes, which, in the first edition, were printed at the end of the volume, have either been incorporated with the text, or printed in their several places as foot-notes. Authorities have been reconsulted, and critical conclusions reconsidered.

It has been suggested to the author, from more than one respected source, that lives of Saint Paul, and of the Evangelists Mark and Luke, would be a desirable addition to the biographies

of the Apostolic Twelve. But he has been fearful of injuring thereby the unity of his group,—that group which immediately surrounded our Lord, and whose lives are connected with his in the Gospel accounts; and he has therefore thought it more advisable to limit himself to the insertion of a life of the great Forerunner, which properly precedes the other histories.

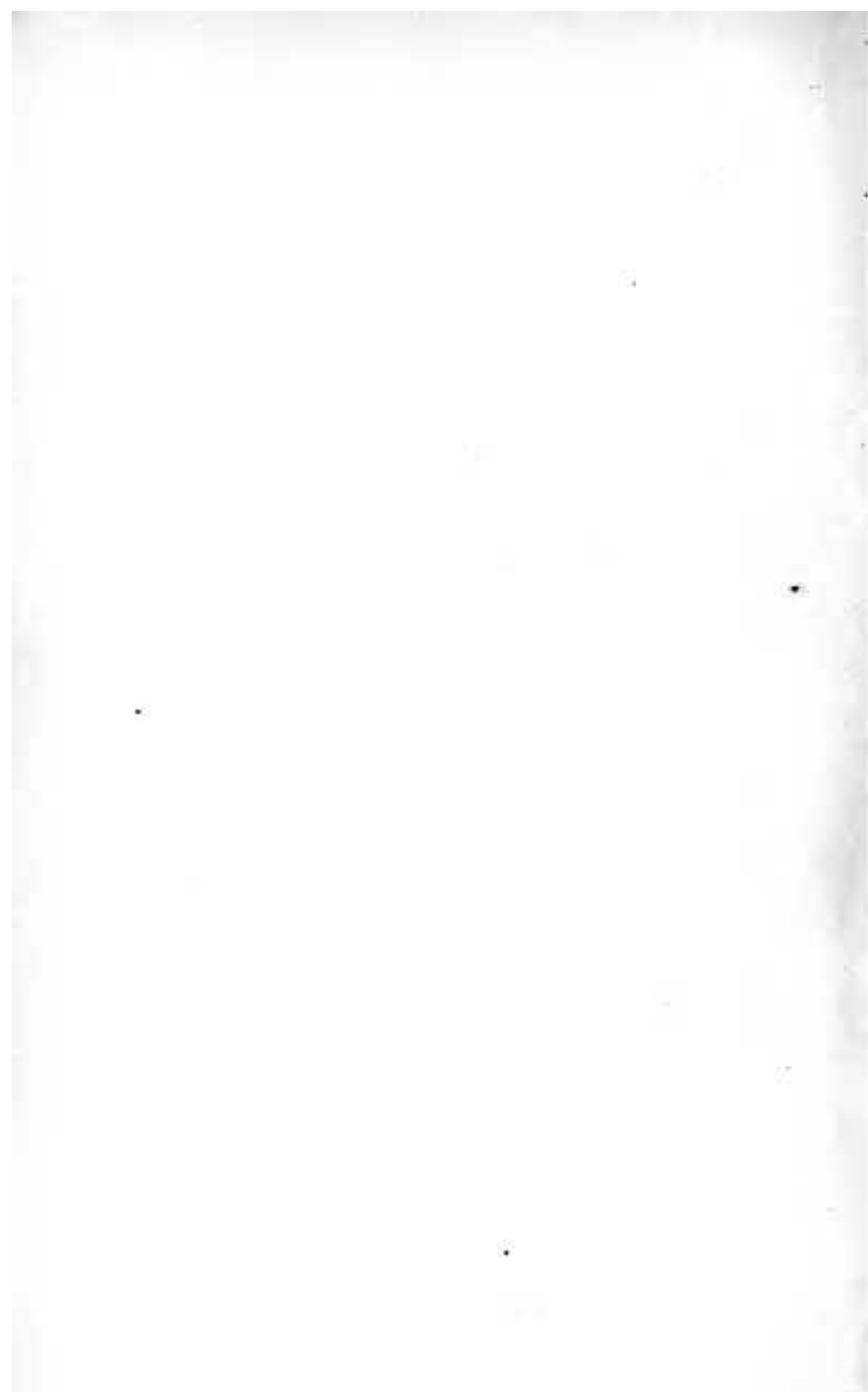
In the Notes to the first edition, the author had named the days on which the Apostles are severally commemorated in the Western Church, and had also given the Collects, or short, comprehensive prayers, which are appropriated to those days in the Liturgy of the Church of England. To those Collects he has now subjoined some pieces of selected poetry, chiefly from late works of Bishop Mant and of Keble, with a view of increasing the religious impression of the volume, and adding somewhat of a devotional to its scriptural and biographical character. They who do not attach any peculiar sacredness to the days which are set apart to the Apostles and Saints by some churches may yet have their affections profitably engaged, at any convenient periods, by a devotional application of those lives

and examples which have been bequeathed to the Church universal.

The same sentiments of affection, respect, and duty which prompted the author to dedicate the first edition of these "Lives" to "THE MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY WORSHIPPING AT KING'S CHAPEL" induce him to inscribe the volume in its present form to the same friends, with the hope that it may prove more deserving than before of their acceptance and approbation.

FRANCIS W. P. GREENWOOD.

October 4, 1835.



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