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## PREFACE.

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THE revival of wide-spread interest in the English martyrs and confessors of the sixteenth and following centuries, and the steps recently taken for their beatification, are a sufficient apology for the publication of whatever may throw fresh light on the subject. A special call for the present volume, however, exists. The *Records of the English Jesuit Province* and the *Troubles of our Catholic Forefathers* have done justice to the members of the Society. The *Douay Diaries* and F. Knox's interesting preface to them have set forth the glories of the secular clergy and the English colleges on the Continent. Challoner's *Memoirs* have taken a wider range, including clergy and laity, regulars and seculars. But all these works are limited to the second persecution, which was opened by Queen Elizabeth. Up to the present time the heroic virtues of those who bore the first burst of the storm and were literally swept away by its fury, Benedic-