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In Perils by mine own Countrymen.

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OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

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AUTHOR'S ADVERTISEMENT.

WHILE the following pages were going through the press, sedate old friends remarked to me, that the subject of which I treat, is too grave to admit of the levity which is often displayed in the narrative. The only reply which I can make to this is, that my book is a record of facts. The style is my own, the material was furnished on the Border. The scenes through which I passed were, in some respects, supremely ridiculous, and must be laughable; there were others which were inhuman, and must therefore excite horror. To write of events in any other manner than that in which they occurred, would not be a true history.

If the reader will be watchful, he will discover, that in those chapters which will perhaps be regarded by him as the most humorous, Miss Pussy is let out of her confinement!

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