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JOHN KNOX.

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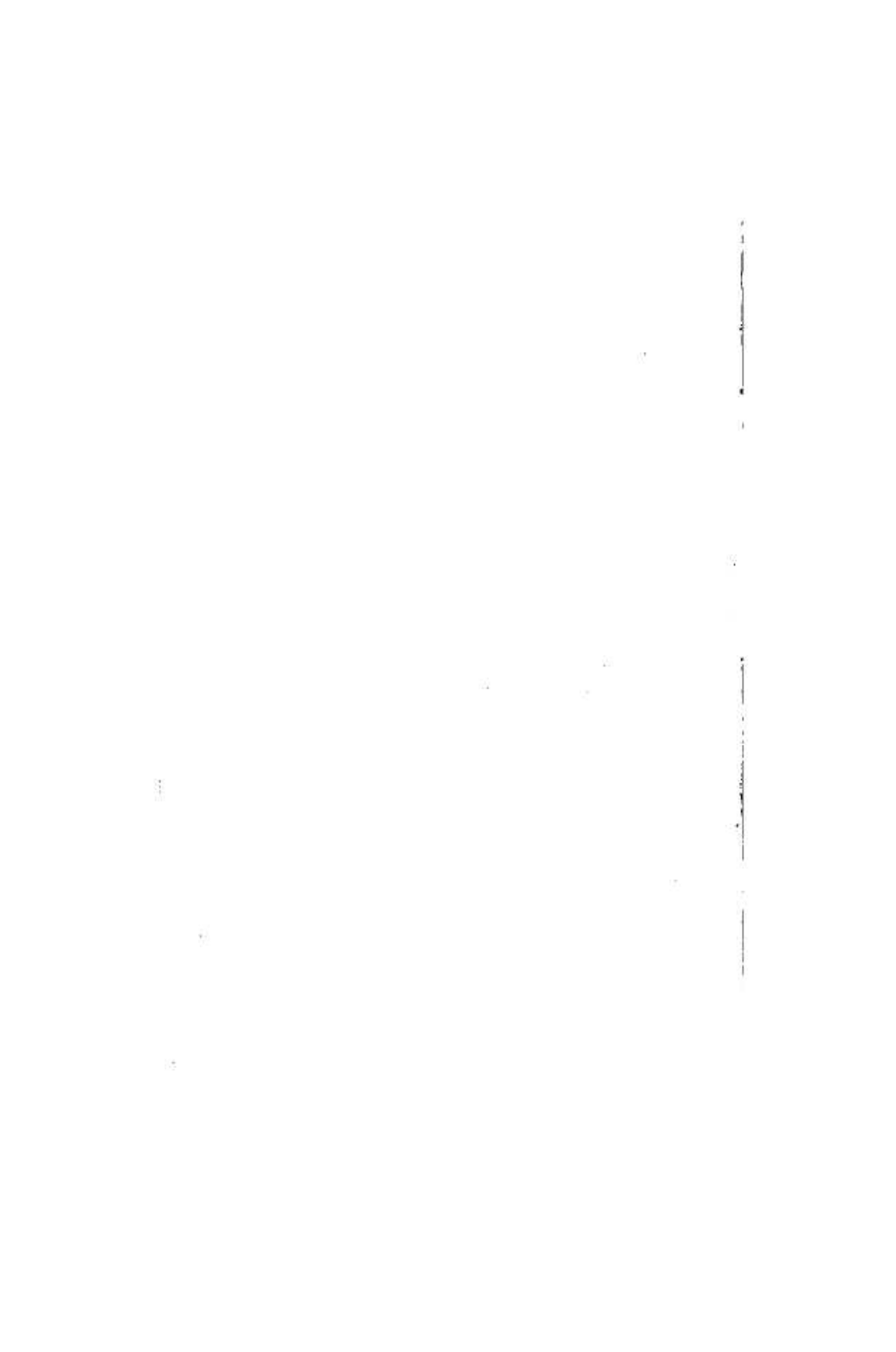
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PREFACE

THE selection of the title for this little volume has been a matter of some difficulty. The name finally chosen is as near to accuracy as publisher and author have been able to contrive. It represents the general tenour of the book.

The following are the principal authorities consulted in the preparation of this short *resumé* of Scotland's religious history: Knox's "History of the Reformation," McKerrow's "History of the Secession Church," Struthers' "History of the Relief Church," Craik's "A Century of Scottish History," Cunningham's "Scottish Church History," Buchanan's "Ten Years' Conflict," Hanna's "Memoirs of Thomas Chalmers," Macewen's "Life of Principal Cairns," Haldane's "Lives of the Haldanes," Butler's "Wesley and Whitefield in Scotland," and Smeaton's "Principal James Morison."

My debts in other quarters are too numerous to specify.

I only ask that readers of this little volume will bear in mind, in their criticism of it, the aim of the series of which it is a member, and the narrow limits of the space allowed for the handling of an ample subject. I have had to refrain myself from many topics that I should dearly like to have dealt with: in particular I had desired to attempt a picture of that simple and significant figure, the Scots Dissenting minister of the eighteenth century, to estimate the revivals of which Moody and Sankey were the most prominent instruments, and the theological movement represented by the name of Robertson Smith, and to show how each balanced and added to the abiding value of the other; and to indicate how much the cause of the Scots Free Churches has suffered by perverse relations with the journalism of their country. But considerations of space sternly forbade these valiant and ambitious endeavours.

W. GRINTON BERRY.

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