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## P R E F A C E.

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I PUBLISH the following Lectures on the Decalogue and the Lord's Day, partly because I have been pressed to do so by many who heard them delivered, but mainly in the earnest hope that they may at least be a help towards the solution of the deeply interesting and important question which has been lately brought before the Church with peculiar prominence. It may be said, indeed, that the question is already settled, and that there is no need of further argument; but it appears to me that this is a mistake. So far as I have had an opportunity of observing, a large portion of the more intelligent laity of the Church are not satisfied with the grounds upon which the divine obligation of the Lord's Day is generally rested; and it is a fatal error to imagine that, in their case, silence implies consent. My sole desire—one deeper than I can

express in words—is to aid them amidst the difficulties by which they are surrounded. Whether I may be in any degree successful in this attempt is for others to judge.

It may be thought by some that the defence of the Confession of Faith contained in the last Lecture is hardly consistent with the method of statement in regard to the divine obligation of the Lord's Day adopted in the earlier Lectures. It seems to me, however, that a fair interpreter will find no difficulty in reconciling the two things with one another.

I have only to add further, for the sake of those inhabitants of Aberdeen to whom the following Lectures were originally delivered, that the passages then omitted, owing to want of time, are now supplied.

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