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TO THE MEMORY OF  
WILLIAM OF WYKEHAM

THE PIOUS AND MUNIFICENT FOUNDER OF WINCHESTER COLLEGE

IN HEARTFELT GRATITUDE

FOR THE BENEFITS I HAVE RECEIVED

DURING THE LATTER PORTION OF MY LIFE AS A

FELLOW OF THAT COLLEGE

I DEDICATE THESE ANNALS

ON THE FIVE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY

OF ITS OPENING

*FLOREAT IN AETERNUM AD DEI GLORIAM*





### NOTE

THE Bishop of St. Andrews originally designed that his Memoirs should be published in two volumes. He believed that the second would be similar in size to the 'Annals of My Early Life,' published two years ago. It was found, however, that the episodes subsequent to those recorded in that book called for treatment more leisurely and elaborate than that which could be given them in a volume of reasonable size. Besides, Bishop Wordsworth's life was of three distinct periods. There was the period of Oxford and Winchester; the period of Glenalmond; the period of St. Andrews. The work, then, is to be in three volumes. This, the second, which was completed not many weeks before the Bishop's death, on December 5 last year, encroaches upon the domain of the third only in so far as affairs connected with the Wardenship of Trinity College lingered into the Episcopate. The 'Annals' now presented are almost entirely autobiographical. The passages embodying correspondence with Mr. Gladstone are the only parts in which the work differs materially from the MS. as it left Bishop Wordsworth's hands. The Bishop once mentioned to me that Mr. Gladstone was willing that the letters referred to, in which he indicated the nature of the considerations constraining him to change his policy as regards the relationships of Church and State, should

be published word for word. Now, however, Mr. Gladstone feels that they should be reserved for his own 'Life'; and here, therefore, they are in oblique narration. Perhaps it should be mentioned that the letter from Mrs. Gladstone which is printed in Chapter VI., pp. 96-97, appears, in full, with her sanction.

The second volume is published now by desire of the Bishop, who, as will be seen, dedicated it to the Memory of the Founder of Winchester College, which is five hundred years old to-day.

The third volume has still to be written; but all the Bishop's papers were left in strict order, and it will be published ere very long. The materials are in charge of the Bishop of Salisbury, who will be grateful to old friends and correspondents of the late Bishop of St. Andrews if they will lend him any letters of interest written by his uncle. Such letters should be sent to the care of Miss Mary Barter, The Close, Salisbury, who has kindly undertaken to copy and return them to their owners. Letters relating to the period 1856-1892 will be especially valuable.

W. EARL HODGSON.

LONDON, *March 28, 1893.*