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## PREFACE.

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It is with the more pleasure I add a few lines of encouragement and sympathy in introducing this charming little book, because I remember with what joy I should have hailed just such a help as its pages offer, when, years ago, I came from very different scenes and associations, to the duties of Parish work, as the wife of a young clergyman.

Clerical Workshops! the very name is suggestive of *labour*—of *skilled* labour—of constructive ingenuity—of varied appliances—of a laboratory, shall I say, like the alchemists of old! Who that has tried in the right way, but has had cause to rejoice over the once base metal transformed into

the true gold of the Sanctuary by the great Master Worker, who lovingly admits us as His fellow-workers! For, with the weapon All Prayer, wielded in the hand of faith, wondrous work is wrought, which shall stand the test of *that Day* and its searching Fire.

And who shall limit the eternal result of influence gained over some? It may have commenced on the recreation-day, perchance, or in the night-school, in the singing-class, or at the Bible-class.

The fact of being cared for and looked after has, with some, a more constraining first influence than a direct religious appeal might have had.

It is essential, however, that the one object, winning souls for Christ and glory, shall be the aim, the end of all, and never lost sight of.

In the present day it is a constant problem and anxiety how to win the young from the many snares and foot-falls placed by the enemy of souls under the name of pleasure, and how to provide healthy pastimes—such as may be shared by the



more educated classes—without risk or damage to higher things.

May the writer of these pages, who is, as yet, personally unknown to me, except through the medium of a brief correspondence of a few years, reap every blessing which her heart yearns after, and be increasingly happy in her work and labour of love, and daily sustained, comforted, and kept by the Holy Ghost! And may these pages be a help and a guide to many a young Pastor and his wife in their united earnest work in their Parish!

ST. ATHMOND'S VICARAGE,  
SHEWSEBURY.



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