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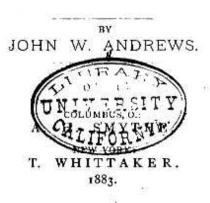
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PREFACE.

This book, as its title indicates, does not profess to be an exhaustive treatise upon the law of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the It discusses simply the method United States. of ascertaining such law, and some of its most important principles, with suggestions as to its origin, and the extent of its jurisdiction. The valuable work of Judge Hoffman, on the "Law of the Church," being out of print, and not within reach of the public generally, it has been deemed proper to quote in the Appendix such parts of it as bear directly upon the points under discussion, and especially in cases in which the author is constrained to differ from so eminent an authority. The reader will find also, principally in the Appendix, extracts from the works of Bishop Hopkins, Dr. Hawks, Dr. F. Vin-

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ton, and others, with some original letters and documents, in whole or in part, that relate to topics treated of: so that he will have in his hands the means of correcting any errors into which the author may have fallen, and to come to his conclusions the better, after consulting these leading authorities.

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