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PREFACE.

THE publication of the following Sermons requires a few words of apology.

The writer of them is fully conscious that many hundreds of better Sermons, and with therefore a more legitimate claim to public notice, are preached every Sunday, in the pulpits of the English Church. He has yielded, however, to the request for publicity made by many of those who heard the Sermons preached, on two grounds; the first, that members of his own flock—more especially those who are beginning their married life—might have a manual, however imperfect, of the duties they were undertaking; the second, that, having long lamented the absence of

direct pastoral instruction in the Church at large on this subject, he might assert for it its rightful place in Christian ethics, and eventually perhaps procure for it at the hands of some more highly gifted brother a treatment worthy of its vast importance.

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