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PREFACE

This book is not a commentary, but offers itself as a supplement to the commentaries. Every student of the New Testament has general helps that shed an impartial, even if sometimes needless, light on every chapter. But in this age of books, when much of the reader's time is taken up in selecting what to read, it is but fair that the exegetical writer should select beforehand, and offer only what seems to him not found already in the necessarily common material of complete works. If he thinks that he has gained new light on various passages, let him be content to tell what has come to him here and there. Let him resolutely refrain from making a commentary. Otherwise what is really new and good in his work will be overlaid and hidden, or at least crowded and cramped, by what may be good but cannot be new. I have tried, in this little volume, to follow the advice now given,

A part of the book has been made by revising articles contributed to religious periodicals. Some of these articles have been changed so much as to almost prevent recognition; and I cannot suppose that my readers care enough for looking up my past work to wish for a full list of material previously published. I may say that No. I. is substantially from the Andover Review, that No. II. is partly from The Journal of Biblical Literature.

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Not a few pages are taken, with changes, from the Bibliotheca Sacra.

In regard to the Introduction, I anticipate the criticism that it is not properly so called. If, however, it be found to have, as I hope it will, a value of its own, its lack of introductory and explanatory connection with what follows, will pass without much objection. It is not a treatise, nor even an essay, but simply a series of somewhat disconnected practical hints.

L. S. P.

Cleveland, O., June 1, 1897.

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