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## PREFACE

THE central figure in several of the chapters in this work is Rev. Wilhelm Fetler of St. Petersburg, who greatly facilitated my investigations in that city, and who has been my welcome guest on his visits to this country. But it will be borne in mind that the evangelical awakening in the Russian Empire is vastly greater than the ministry of one man, honoured of God as he undoubtedly is. There are many other brethren equally consecrated, equally heroic, some of them veterans in service, not a few of them men who have suffered greatly for Christ's sake in the dark and bloody past. The mention of one brother does not imply that these others are forgotten or undervalued. We bless God for them. We hold them in highest honour and love for their work's sake.

Readers of my earlier works, *Dr. Baedeker in Russia*, and *Under Three Tsars*, will be familiar with the historical genesis and the extensive sweep of the present most interesting movement in the religious life of this great people.

In these pages I have sought to describe scenes that took place under my own eyes, and also the impressions produced upon my mind by what I saw and heard, and learned from various sources, of the religious situation in Russia.

A political remark of Earl Macartney, ambassador to the Russian Court in 1764, may to-day be used respecting the influence upon Europe and the world of the present Russian spiritual awakening :

“Russia is no longer to be gazed at as a distant glimmering star ; but as a great planet that has obtruded itself into our system, whose place is yet undetermined, but whose motions must powerfully affect those of every other orb.”

R. S. LATIMER.

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