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PRAYER

FOR

The Oxford Mission to Calcutta.

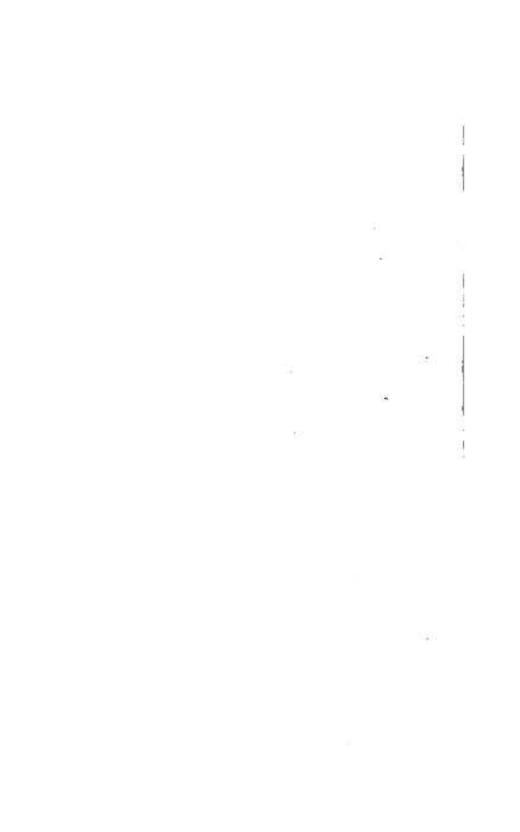
ANTIPHON. The Lone gave the word; great was the company of the preachers.

Y. Not by might, nor by power.

R. But by My Spirit, saith the LORD of Hosts.

Let us pray.

O LORD JESUS CHRIST, the Eternal Word and Son of the Farner, the King and Saviour of all mankind; we humbly entreat Thy blessing and guidance for the Oxford Mission to Calcutta. Re present. in all Thy might and grace, with those who are called to labour therein for Thee: fill them abundantly with the spirit of power and of love and of a sound mind, with loyalty to Thy truth and devotion to Thy service; and grant that, through their ministry, many now afar off may be won over to the faith and fellowship of Thy Church, and sanctified by a living union with Thee, Who art the Life and the Light of souls that believe in Thee. and Who with the FATHER and the HOLY GHOST livest and reignest, ever One God, world without end.



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PREFACE

TO

THE THIRD EDITION.

In issuing a Third Edition of these Prayers the Compilers think it right to say that the success, which they have recently met with, is mainly due to the recommendation of them by a clerical friend, who does not wish his name to be mentioned, but whose zeal in behalf of the Missions of the Church is a great example to all who know him.

The present Edition differs from the last only in the addition of particular Prayers for the Conversion of the Jews, and for that of the Mohammedans; there is also another Prayer, the topics of which were suggested by a letter of an excellent Missionary now taken to his rest.

The continued and in some countries the increased hostility of Mohammedans to the faith of the Gospel, is a solemn call upon the Church for more fervent intercession in their behalf; no less urgent surely is the duty to remember in our prayers the ancient people of God.

Great is the need of the most gifted intellect and the ripest learning for the trying work of the Missionary. May the good Spirit of God raise up in the Colleges of our Universities, in richer measure, men who are willing in simple faith to devote their talents to this holy cause.

EDWARD MEYRICE GOULBURN,

Late Fellow and Sentor Tutor of Merton.

EDWARD C. WOOLLCOMBE, Fellow and late Senior Tutor of Balliol.

Oxford, Nov. 16, 1870.

PREFACE

TO

THE SECOND EDITION.

A FEW words may not be out of place to explain the circumstances under which this little Manual of Prayers in behalf of Missions and Missionaries was originally compiled, and is now republished.

As long ago as the year 1842, two Friends, Members of the same College in Oxford, felt the want of some Prayers for this purpose, when, in common with a few others specially interested in the same work, they had agreed to meet occasionally for mutual instruction in the past and present history of the Missions of the Church, and with the hope of encouraging one another, under the blessing of God, in the work of Christian intercession.

However unequal they well knew themselves to be to the composition of such a