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PREFACE

In the preparation of this study the writer has attempted to make the text interesting and intelligible to the average reader. He has, therefore, relegated the dry bones and paraphernalia of study to the footnotes and a bibliographical appendix. The material for the reign of Elizabeth is so voluminous, however, that footnotes and bibliography are not complete. The footnotes do not represent all the material upon which statements in the text are based, but the writer believes that the authorities given amply support the opinions and conclusions there expressed.

In selecting material for the footnotes from the vast amount of published and unpublished source matter collected in the preparation of this essay, the author has confined the references for the most part to a few representative men and collections of sources. The works of Jewel, Parker, Whitgift, Hooker, and Cartwright, the Zurich Letters and the Domestic State Papers, have, for instance, been chosen as most representative and easily available to the general reader. Unless otherwise noted, however, the author has depended upon the manuscripts in the Record Office and not upon the Calendar of the Domestic State Papers, since the Calendar, especially for the earlier years of Elizabeth's reign, is often so condensed as to give inadequate information. The representative sources selected have been given so as to make as complete as possible, within the limits of this study, the facts and opinions presented by them. Other sources have been given whenever those chosen as most representative were lacking or were not of sufficient weight.

The sources used consist of the laws, Parliamentary debates, acts of Council, proclamations, public and private papers, correspondence, sermons, diaries, controversial works, and foreign comment. References in the footnotes to secondary works have been reduced to the minimum for the sake of the appearance of the printed page, but the writer has tried to express his sense of obligation to the work of others in the Bibliographical Appendix. It is hoped that the Appendix will serve the further purpose of assisting the American student, about to enter upon a study of Elizabethan ecclesiastical and religious history, to find his way in the somewhat confusing mass of the literature of the period.

There remains the pleasant duty of expressing my gratitude to the officials of the Public Record Office and of the British Museum for their courteous and painstaking assistance. To the Reverend Mr. Claude Jenkins, of the Lambeth Palace Library, who took the time to teach an American stranger how to read and handle the documents of the period, I owe one of my most pleasant memories of England and of Englishmen. To Miss Cornelia T. Hudson, reference assistant in the Library of Union Theological Seminary, I wish to express my thanks for friendly help in excess of the official courtesy with which I have met in all the libraries I have consulted. The mere acknowledgment of my debt of gratitude to Professor James T. Shotwell, of Columbia University, and to Professor William Walker Rockwell, of Union Theological Seminary, must necessarily express inadequately the value of the encouragement, the suggestions, and the hours of labor which they have so freely given. The kindness of Professor Edward P. Chevney, of the University of Pennsylvania, in reading and criticizing the completed manuscript, and the help in reading the proof given by Professor F. J. Foakes Jackson. of Union Theological Seminary, have assisted materially in making the essay more readable.

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