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METHODIST NEW CONNEXION,
THIS VOLUME,
IS MOST RESPECTFULLY
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BY
THEIR SINCERE FRIEND AND CO-LABOURER,
THE AUTHOR.

THE PREFACE.

Four months ago, when attending the Conference in Liverpool, a friend desired the writer to prepare, and publish his views on several things which appeared to affect the state and prospects of the Connexion; and, before leaving that town, another friend made a similar request. In both cases the writer was taken by surprise; and, though quite aware that the judgment of such friends was entitled to respectful attention, he could not then hold out any hope of being able to realize their wishes.

But, if there was no immediate decision, those requests led to reflection. Materials, gathered and laid up year after year, together with an intimate acquaintance with every department of our Connexional operations, somewhat prepared the writer for the work suggested, and when pressed on his attention, a sense of duty constrained him to give it the most respectful consideration. The cares and toils of a large and important Circuit, combined with a great amount of Connexional service, which, as usual devolved upon him, appeared however to forbid any idea of its being accomplished under existing circumstances. But, though