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### INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

WITH this volume we conclude our present plan of presenting the prophetic writings of the Old Testament in their Chronological order. In the four previous parts, which have been already issued, the Pre-Exilian Minor Prophets, the I. Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel have been dealt with on a similar plan; in this the same method has been applied to the treatment of II. Isaiah, Daniel, and the Post-Exilian Minor prophets. Thus we have a prophetic Pentateuch.

The entirely popular character of our plan should ever be borne in mind. It is felt that the Christian laity should take special interest in the Old Testament prophets, and these volumes have been prepared almost entirely for their benefit. Many have felt the perplexity attendant upon reading the Old Testament, as it stands, and have called for some popular and easily understood arrangement, which by setting prophecy and history in their own light, and in close proximity, would make both alike more intelligible and profitable to the ordinary reader. A continuous reading of the prophets is here given. Scholars have indeed found the arrangement given in previous volumes useful to them while consulting larger works, but the aim of the author was to help others. Hence, while endeavouring to bring his information, as far as possible, up to date, he has wholly avoided the use of technical words, and references to critical differences. These have been weighed, and a consensus view has been sought after. This, of course, is not always to be obtained. The canon of spiritual profit has been largely made use of in determining the meaning of