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### PREFACE.

Some who may read this volume will, perhaps, differ from me in respect to its themes, and the method of their treatment, so far as the pulpit and the Sabbath are concerned. I can only say that the moral significance which I detect in these subjects is stated in the first discourse, and my own ideas of the latitude of pulpit discussion, will be found, sufficiently qualified, as I think, in the sixth. It has been my object, at least, to arouse my hearers from the indifference of custom, to a recognition of the spiritual suggestions, the duties, the illimitable relations, which are involved with every aspect of their daily lot-to show them the argument for religion and for a religious life, which comes to them not merely from the pulpit and from the peculiar associations of the Sabbath,

but from every field of action, and from every experience. In seeking to do this, I have used that language which I deemed most effective, and without any refined elaboration have sent it to type very much as it fell from my lips. I trust, however, be the faults of this book what they may, that some influence may go out from it for individual virtue and religion, and for a more Christian state of society in our great cities.

E. H. C.

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