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THE
CHRISTIAN SOCIAL UNION
(London Branch).

President: THE BISHOP OF DURHAM.

Chairman: CANON H. S. HOLLAND.

This Union consists of Members of the Church who have the following objects at heart:—

- 1. To claim for the Christian Law the ultimate authority to rule social practice.*
- 2. To study in common how to apply the moral truths and principles of Christianity to the social and economic difficulties of the present time.*
- 3. To present Christ in practical life as the Living Master and King, the enemy of wrong and selfishness, the power of righteousness and love.*

Members are expected to pray for the well-being of the Union at Holy Communion, more particularly on or about the following days:—

The Feast of the Epiphany.

The Feast of the Ascension.

The Feast of St. Michael and All Angels.

*Further information can be obtained from the Secretary,
Rev. PERCY DEARMER, 59, South Lambeth Road, S. W.*

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Sermons on Social Subjects

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NOTE.

THESE Sermons were preached, by kind permission of the Rector, Canon Benham, in the Church of St. Edmund, King and Martyr, Lombard Street, E.C., during Lent, 1894. The series was organized by the London Branch of the Christian Social Union. The idea of the promoters was to bring vividly before the minds of business men and others that the pressing Social Problems of the day would be the fittest object of their thoughts, prayers, heart-searchings, and aspirations during the solemn season of Lent; and that, as Christians, they were bound to seek for direction in their solution from their Lord and Master Jesus Christ.

For the benefit of those who may desire to know, the objects of the Christian Social Union are printed elsewhere.

H. S. HOLLAND,
Chairman of Committee.

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PREFACE.

THE course of sermons contained in this volume was organized by the London branch of the Christian Social Union, but each preacher was left perfectly free to speak according to his mind, and is alone responsible for his own sermon.

I have not had the advantage of hearing or reading any of the sermons, but the striking variety of subjects and writers illustrates the wide field which the Union occupies and the liberty which is allowed to the members — though I believe that the writers are not all members of the Union — in regard to their economic and political and theological opinions. At the same time, I cannot doubt that whatever differences may exist in the methods and the conclusions of the several contributors, all alike recognise the same motive and the same principle and the same power of Christian action; the motive and the principle and the power which are to be found in the application of the fact of the Incarnation to the manifold problems of life in dependence on the Holy Spirit sent in the name of Jesus Christ.

The popular misconception of the scope and