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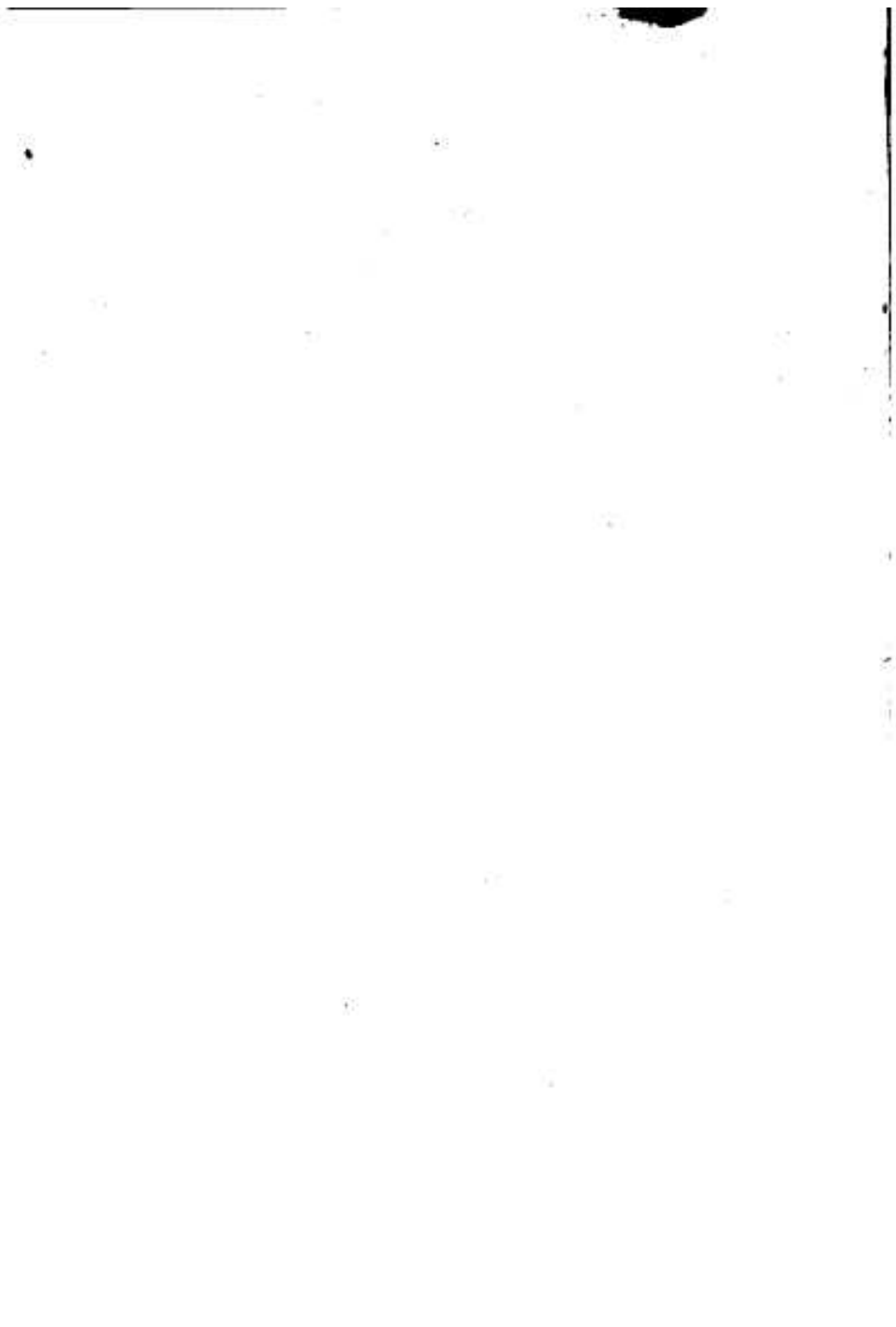
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THE following pages are largely the result of work in practical teaching. In class and in the pulpit I have more than once tried to make it clear that these are real letters of a man who loved his fellow-men, and gave his life in the service of the Gospel.

The critical question as to the authenticity of the letters is not here touched upon. But I have faced it, I believe, with perfect frankness, and with the result that it appears to me immeasurably more difficult to account reasonably for these two letters on any other theory than that they came out of the heart of Paul.

If there is any value in this little book, it is because I have been able to profit by the scholarship and the insight of others. It will be evident, especially, how very freely I have made use of the commentaries of Bishop Lightfoot. I make no apology for this, because I make no claim to

independent scholarship, and only desire, if it may be, to help others to learn what I have learnt, and to enjoy what has been a joy to me.

V. D. D.

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EDITORIAL NOTE.

IN order to promote the use of the Revised Version in the study of the New Testament, this commentary has been adapted to it.

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