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P R E F A C E.

AFTER a long delay I am at last able to place in the hands of Members of the Society another volume of Lords' Debates from the Crowcombe Court MSS. It contains the notes of the last Parliament of James I. and of the second Parliament of Charles I. Those of the first Parliament of Charles are not preserved at Crowcombe Court, and may possibly have gone astray in the hurry of removal from Oxford. At any rate it is not likely that anything of importance took place in the Lords in that Parliament, and we may therefore put up with the loss without much repining.

What we have for 1624 gives us the Debates on the war projects of Buckingham, on the Monopoly Bill, and the impeachment of Middlesex. In 1626 we have the affair of Arundel's imprisonment, the limitation of proxies, the impeachment of Buckingham, and the charges against Bristol.

There still remains the book relating to 1628, undoubtedly the most interesting of all, as it contains the debates on the Petition of Right.

Of the official persons mentioned in this volume, the Lord Keeper was Bishop Williams in 1624, and Sir T. Coventry in 1626; the Lord Treasurer was the Earl of Middlesex in 1624, and the Earl of Marlborough in 1626. The President of the Council was Viscount Mandeville in 1624, who became Earl of Manchester before 1626. The Earl Marshal was the Earl of Arundel, the Lord Chamberlain the Earl of Pembroke, in both years, and the Lord Steward the first Marquis of Hamilton in 1624, and the Earl of Worcester in 1626, the latter being Lord Privy Seal in both years.

ERRATUM.

At p. 194, line 11, *for* "tare" *read* "taxe."

LORDS' DEBATES IN 1624 AND 1626.

[Parliament met on Feb. 16, and was prorogued to Feb. 19, when the King's Speech was delivered. The Speaker of the House of Commons was presented on the 21st.]

MONDAYE, 23 FEBR. 1623.

[Call of the House.—L. J. iii. 214.]

PRYNCE moved for a Conference with the Commons about the ^{Message for a} buissines, &c. _{Conference.}

ADMYRALL. Hath received advertisement from Spayne that greate shipping are prepared in Spayne, with advyce to look well to the coastes.

HAUGHTON. A Committee to viewe the Journall booke and to peruse the orders before they be presented to the House.

[Message to the Commons for a conference that they may hear Buckingham's narrative.—L. J. iii. 215.]

HAUGHTON. That the message be wrytten.

SOUTH[AMPTON]. Yea, yf the Judges mistrust their meaninges.

The Judges and Sergeants going returned: yett went with the verball message.

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24 FEBR. 1623.

[L. J. iii. 216.]

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