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PREFACE.

THE Lecture on the 'Gospel according to Peter' was given in the Hall of Christ's College on the 20th of November, three days after the text was first seen in Cambridge, in response to a general desire for information as to the new discovery. It has since been corrected and enlarged by the addition of some notes, which are placed at the foot of the page, with a view to guiding students to various sources of information which may yet throw further light upon the interpretation of the fragment.

The Lecture on the 'Revelation of Peter' was given before the Divinity Faculty shortly afterwards, and was at the time already in the press.

These editions must be regarded as tentative. Our object has been to place the texts without delay in the hands of other students. We hope that hereafter they may be expanded in the series of *Texts* and *Studies*.

We have to express our best thanks to M. Bouriant, not only for the scholarly way in which he has published the transcription of the MS., but also for the generosity with which he has placed the documents at the disposal of scholars: see p. 147 of

vol. ix. fasc. I. of the Memoirs of the French Archæological Mission at Cairo.

For the rapidity with which this book has been published, without (we would fain believe) any consequent loss of accuracy in the printing, our thanks are due to the officers and workmen of the University Press.

POSTSCRIPT. This little book was finally corrected for the press when we heard that he, whose latest message to us was permission to dedicate it to him, had gone to his rest. It was not without expressions of misgiving that we had asked to prefix to this hurried work a name which must always be connected with the minutest accuracy and the most cautious utterances. It is quite unworthy to be dedicated to his memory. But we feel that we cannot draw back or alter now. As here, so there, his gentle spirit will 'make allowance for us.' To his voice we had looked forward as the one voice which should tell us, as no other could, where we were right or wrong. Now we must learn it in a harder school. But it will remain a sacred duty to carry out these investigations with the patience and deliberateness which his example enjoins and his removal has made more than ever necessary.

J. A. R. M. R. J.

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