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INTRODUCTION

The approaching four hundredth anniversary of the posting of Luther's Theses on the 31st of October, 1517, has aroused a great deal of interest in the United States. To facilitate the study of the German Reformation the present annotated list has been prepared. It does not aim at completeness such as has been the goal of great works like the "Quellenkunde" of Dahlmann-Waitz. The eighth edition of that indispensable bibliography carries the literature down through the year 1910 and contains many titles as late as 1912.

The present list may be used in connection with Dahlmann-Waitz in such a way as readily to open up extensive ramifications of the literature which limited space has compelled us to omit. Thus among the books we mention on Luther's Table Talk is a monograph by Preserved Smith which is listed in the index to Dahlmann-Waitz under number 7403. Looking up that number in the body of the reference work we find mentioned thirteen other editions or monographs bearing on the Table Talk.

Probably three-fourths of the titles in our bibliography are contained in Dahlmann-Waitz, but a surprisingly large fraction has either been overlooked by the compilers of that work or has appeared since it went to press. Therefore we have made a special effort to include publications since 1910 as well as some of the older material in English which it has omitted.

The table of contents furnishes a detailed guide to subjects. Titles of books have been entered but once, though many might have been classified under several headings; hence the only way to be sure one has found all the needed information here contained, is to look under more than one heading. This process would have been greatly facilitated had it been practicable to make an index; but the delay involved seemed prohibitive.

To the libraries of Columbia University and of the Union Theological Seminary, as well as to the New York Public Library, we are indebted for valuable advice and most cour-

teous assistance. It has been possible to check up a large proportion of the titles on the actual works listed; but chiefly owing to the blockade, which for the year past has practically prohibited the importation of books from Germany, it has been impossible to carry out the principle that nothing shall be included which has not been seen. Those titles not inspected by one of the editors have been drawn from standard publications such as the "Theologische Rundschau" or current trade bibliographies.

The present work has grown out of the bibliographies prepared by Rev. George Linn Kieffer, A.M., B.D., in the seminar on the History of the Protestant Reformation, conducted at the Union Theological Seminary in 1915-1916 by the undersigned. In compiling it Mr. Kieffer made use of data collected by other members of the seminar. The annotations have been made by the undersigned in constant consultation with Reverend Otto H. Pannkoke, B.D., Executive Secretary of the Reformation Quadricentenary Committee of New York City. The editors believe that in spite of the care exercised errors have probably crept in; and they feel certain that the titles of many valuable books and articles by foreign and especially by American scholars have been overlooked. It is hoped that it may be possible to print a revised edition in 1917 or 1918 in which a special effort would be made to include many more titles, particularly in the English language, and to list the chief books and addresses published during the anniversary year. Authors will therefore confer a favor by sending in prompt notice of their publications. Anyone who discovers errors or important omissions is urged to send the fullest possible data to Mr. Kieffer, at the headquarters of the Reformation Quadricentenary Committee of New York City, Room 413, 200 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

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New York City, December 29, 1916.

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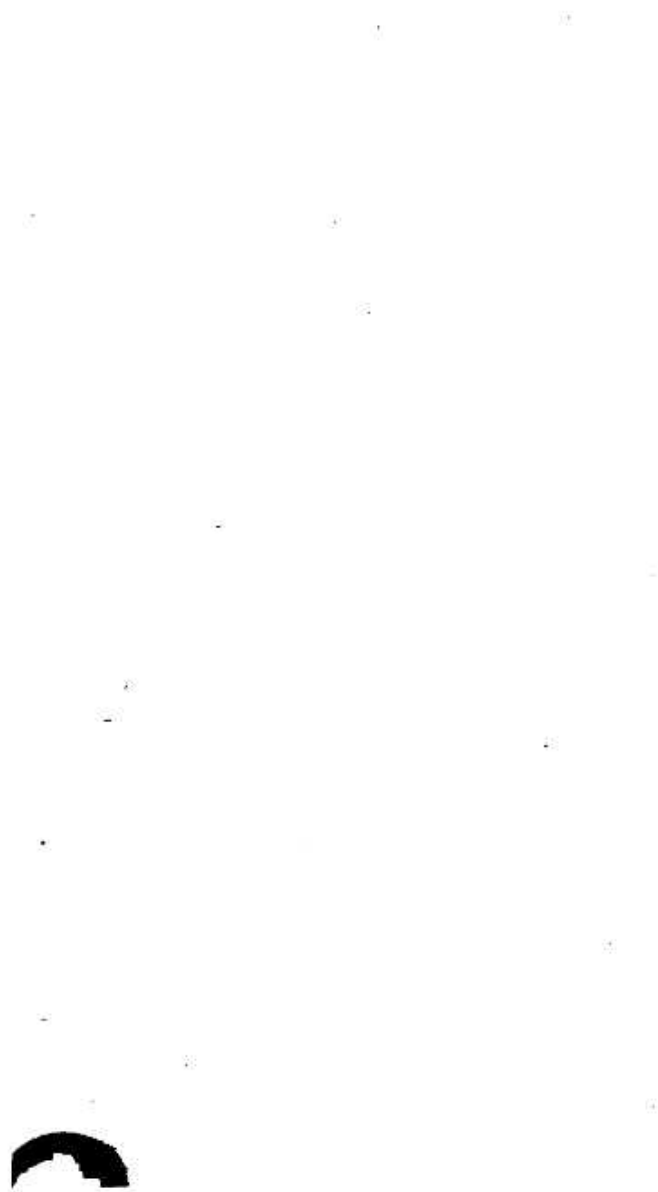
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