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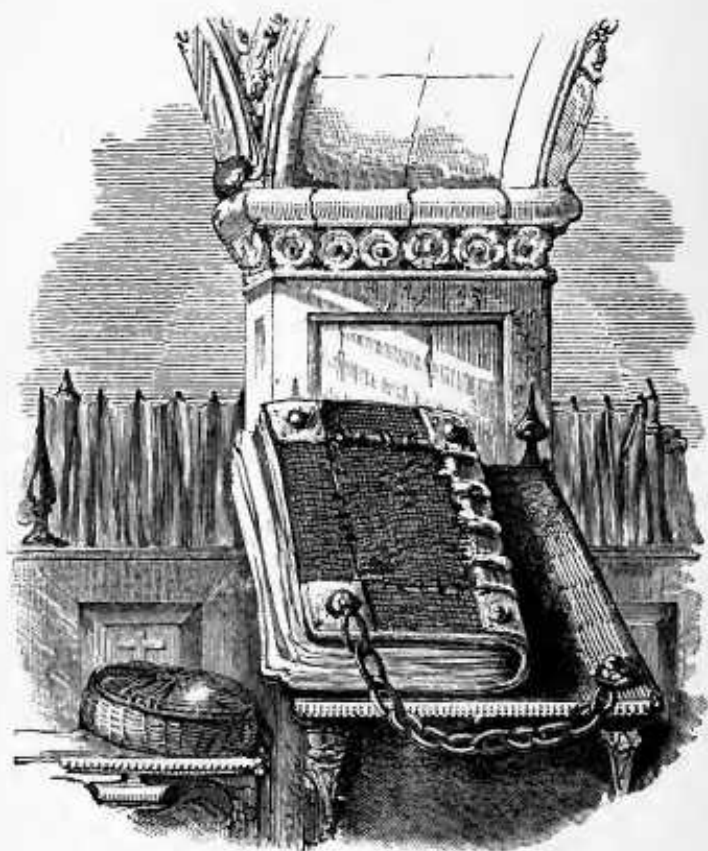
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In writing this book, my desire has been not merely to produce an entertaining volume, but one of an instructive character, throwing light on the manners, customs, and everyday life of bygone times, which have a connection with the English church.

It would be impossible to prepare a book of this class without having recourse to the works of other authors, more especially some of the older writers. I have tried, however, to render every acknowledgement to those to whom I am indebted for information.

My best thanks are due to the Editors of the following periodicals for kindly allowing me to reproduce from their pages some of the articles I wrote for them, and which now re-appear here, viz., the *British Workwoman*, *Chambers's Journal*, *Christian World Magazine*, *Home Chimes*, and the *Leisure Hour*. A number of the papers were printed simultaneously in several leading provincial journals.

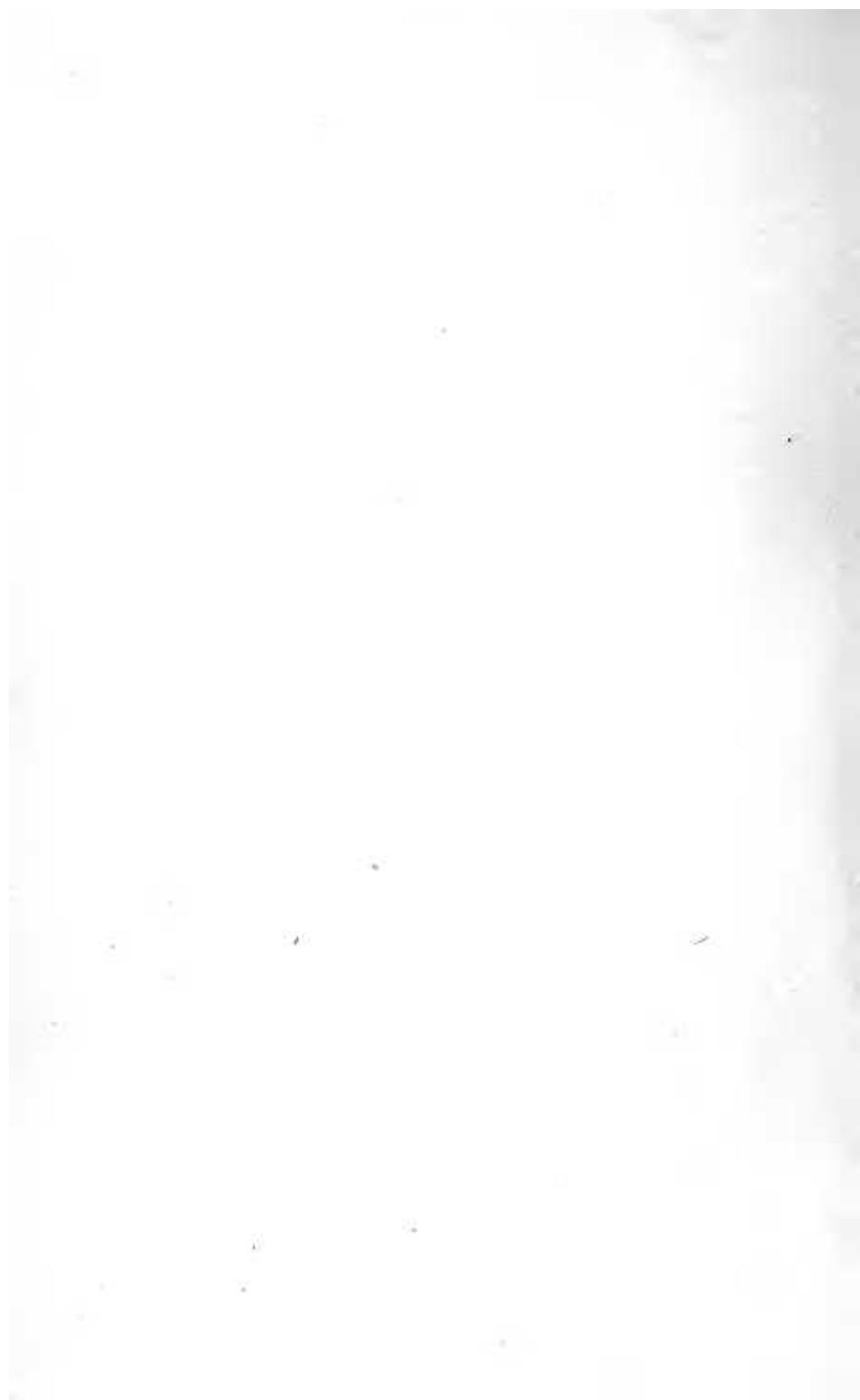
I have only to add that if this volume meets with a welcome from the press and the public similar to that which has been accorded to my former works, I shall have every reason to feel grateful.

WILLIAM ANDREWS.

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