PREFACE.

THE Author of the following Discourses having been removed, in the month of July last, from his pastoral charge at Hamilton, C. W., to a Theological Chair in Knox's College, Toronto, was urgently requested to publish the sermon which he preached to his people on the occasion of leaving them. With this request he did not feel disposed to comply: but on consideration he resolved, for various reasons, to commit to press a volume of Sermons and Expositions of Scripture of a miscellaneous description; which he now accordingly lays before the public. His farewell sermon to his congregation at Hamilton is included in the volume, under the title, "The Gospel Judged to be Wisdom by them who are Perfect." The Discourses, as now published, are not materially different from what they were when originally preached in the ordinary course of Sabbath ministration.

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