

PREFACE.

FEW words may seem necessary as a reason for the publication of another life of King William III. One reason might suffice for all, viz.—that, since Macaulay wrote his great History of England, no concise life of the real founder of our Protestant liberties has been published in this country. It appeared, therefore, to the author of the present little work, that a short narrative of the life of the Prince of Orange would not be out of place, and he has ventured to publish what he trusts will help to illustrate, in a humble degree, the career of a Monarch whom the late Prince