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WITH this volume the Old Testament series of these "Hours" is complete. Thank God for the health that has enabled me to keep at this part of my task for five years past! If I be spared, the New Testament series will follow in due course.

Meanwhile, I would gratefully thank my brother clergy of every rank; the ministers of all sections of the Church, and the reading public, for the kindly reception given to my books throughout the English-speaking world. The favourable recognition they have met in so many lands, as shown by the language of the public press, and by private letters from correspondents in all positions, has been most grateful to me.

No attempt, so far as I am aware, has hitherto been made to incorporate the utterances of the prophets with

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