

PREFACE.

ALL the statements contained in the following pages are substantially correct. There are among the reminiscences one or two slight discrepancies, arising chiefly from a blending of different occurrences, and from a mere anachronism. The information which would have corrected these mistakes, arrived too late to be available ; but as no interest is affected, nor any principle compromised, neither explanation nor apology is necessary. I have not spoken unkindly or reproachfully of any one ; for while I have conscientiously denounced systems and doctrines, which in my opinion are contrary to the Word of God, I have abstained from every thing personal, and have endeavoured to speak "the truth in love," remembering that "urbanity will often lend a grace to actions that are of themselves ungracious."

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