stately halls of England, and one of its cottage homes, each of which in its way has been a bulwark of the realm. The first of these is a Knole House, in the fair and fertile county of Kent, once the home of Archbishop Cranmer, whose higher distinction it is that he became a witness unto death of his fidelity to the truth.



PRIORY CHURCH, OLD NORMAN HOUSE AND VIEW FROM THE MINSTER, CHRIST CHURCH.

The house is of many different ages. Its most characteristic features are its quaint low-roofed corridors, one of which, the Retainer's Gallery, we present on page 401. It runs the whole length of the house, and is strikingly picturesque. The panelled roof, the old portraits on the wall, and mullioned window will be observed; also the steel cuirasses the helmets, and gauntlets of some grim