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ng list of is volume. frequently Work of St. Paul" while I had in my possession many of the authorities to which these authors in their turn refer, I would acknowledge my great indebtedness to their scholarly works. I should also mention Guhl and Koner's "Life of the Greeks and Romans," to which I referred continually for information relating to dress, customs, etc.; and to the ancient chronicles of Josephus, where I found the stories of Agrippa, of Caius, of Herodias, and of the other historical personages who figure more or less largely in these pages.

If in these scenes from the life and times of St. Paul, I have succeeded, in some small measure, in enabling the reader to see for himself not merely Paul, the theologian; Paul, the setter-forth of "the scheme of salvation;" Paul, the stern ascetic, thundering forth reproof and denunciation against evil-doers-but Paul, the fearless herald of the Cross, pouring out his life like water, that he might save the lost; Paul, the tent-maker, laboring with his hands that he might minister to the necessities of others; "Paul, the aged;" "Paul, the prisoner of the Lord Jesus," healing the sick, cheering the oppressed and down-trodden, the father of all the churches, the friend of sinners and of God-if we shall look upon him thus, we shall read the Epistles with new eyes, seeing in them the outpourings of a great loving heart which beat divincly for all human-