

P R E F A C E .

I HAVE endeavoured in this volume to tell the public what I thought they would like to know respecting Mr. Spurgeon and his work without unduly prying into the Pastor's private life.

Ten years ago I published, through Messrs. James Clarke & Co., a *brochure* on this same subject, which found some acceptance ; and with my friends' permission I have reprinted a few pages from that little work, much of which is now out of date.

In 1878 I also issued, through Messrs. Passmore & Alabaster, "Seven Portraits, etc., with Reminiscences of Life at Waterbeach and London." I have also given some passages from that pamphlet, the main attraction of which, however,

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