PREFACE.

In undertaking to prepare a new Collection of Psalms and Hymns for the Diocese of Nova Scotia, the Compilers have had two objects in view,—to supply a Book at the lowest possible price—and, at the same time, one which would contain a sufficient variety for all the requirements of public worship.

The Book is divided into two parts; the first, consisting of Selections from the New, (with three from the Old) Version of the Psalms; the second, consisting of Hymns, and Versions of Psalms, by various authors. To some persons, the first part may appear to be too much curtailed; but it will be found, upon examination, that all, or nearly all, the portions commonly used are included, the number of four verses, to which the greater part of these are limited, being in practice seldom exceeded. In some cases, however, where the

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