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Preface.

THEOLOGY as a recreation affords a field as inviting and varied as the physical sciences; and no naturalist ever took more delight in some chosen department than the author in the study of the legal aspects of the atonement.

If this interest can be transferred to any of the readers of this book, the task of writing it will be amply rewarded.

The thoughts here presented are the product of a study that began when the author was a student, fresh from college and from some study of the law.

The science of theology brought its problems. Chief among them was "the atonement;" and most difficult of all the questions raised was the primary question of "necessity."

On the reply to that question hangs not only the theory adopted, but in logical sequence the mental attitude toward all the doctrines of the New Testament. A problem of such vital concern, demanding solution at such a time, can not