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Preface

COME of my readers may have met with a small work I published a few years back, entitled The Faith of Old England. It was followed by a still more modest publication, The Old Religion. These two little works were written for different classes of readers, but with the same object in view. They were to satisfy the wishes of those who ask for a single book, setting forth in the simplest of styles and in the simplest of words not merely the teaching of the Catholic Church, but likewise her history in connexion with dogma from her earliest days. The circulation of some 18,000 of these little works, and the many conversions which with God's blessing have followed on the reading of the same, have encouraged me to offer to those desirous of knowing more about the Catholic Church another small volume written on the same lines as The Faith of Old England.

For the convenience of those who may be interested in particular questions, rather than in the whole subject, the several parts of this volume have also been published separately in pamphlet form. The low price at which this work is being sold has made it necessary for me to omit some portions of the matter I had prepared for incorporation. The two parts thus omitted are: Part VIII, entitled, "England Past and Present," and Part IX, "Catholic Orders and Anglican Orders," which, however, may be had separately, and if desired bound up

with the contents of the volume.

It only remains for me to express a heartfelt hope that these little books may be instruments in God's hands to lead many a truth-seeking Protestant to embrace the religion of his forefathers.

V. H.

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