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PREFACE.

I PROBABLY should not have thought of publishing the present volume had it not happened that in the past session the discussion on the Indian Budget did not commence until so late an hour in the evening as to render it impossible for the debate to be adequately Many friends consequently asked me to reported. publish the speech which I made in that debate. After I had consented to do so, I thought it might not be inappropriate to publish some other speeches which I had made on questions which still await settlement. It may be thought that as the present volume contains three speeches on the Irish University question, that I have not confined it simply to political subjects which still remain unsettled. I have however endeavoured to shew that much remains to be done in reference to University Education in Ireland; and it certainly appeared to me that a short retrospect of the history of the question might not be wanting in interest to those who will have to determine the future of higher educa-

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tion in Ireland. All the speeches except the last were made in the House of Commons. My chief reason for publishing the one delivered at an annual meeting of the Brighton constituency is, that it refers to many topics of present interest, and especially to the active agitation now being revived in favour of the repeal of the income-tax. It also contains some remarks on the relations between a member and his constituents in reference to the mode of conducting an election.

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