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*"The coming of the Lord draweth nigh."*—JAMES v. 8.

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## PREFATORY NOTE.

It was not for controversy that this Convention on the "Second Advent" was projected. In the preliminary arrangements, and throughout the services, points of difference among Students of Prophecy have been studiously avoided. The solemn thought of the prominence assigned in Divine Revelation to the Epiphany of our Lord, and the insignificant place it occupies in the Evangelical Ministry of the times, alone prompted the idea of this Convention ; while the warmth with which it was welcomed by many Scottish Christians encouraged the carrying of it out. The result is thanksgiving and praise to the same blessed Lord to whose Coming again in glory and majesty the Convention has borne testimony. The hearts also of many devout Christians have been warmed by these meditations on the "Blessed Hope."

Of late years events have occurred which have drawn more attention to the study of the prophetic word, and this with special reference to the doctrine of the Pre-millennial Advent of Christ. Prejudices once existing have given way ; and what with the growth in the professing Church of such views as undermine the Authority of Holy Scripture, and betray the faith once delivered to the saints, the boldness of Infidelity in the world, defiantly asking, "Where is the promise of His Coming?" and the development of vice and crime in all classes of Society, the disciple of Christ naturally looks heavenward for the vindication of Divine government by the