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# **PREFACE**

I am grateful to the Syndics of the Cambridge University Press and especially to Mr William Davies for undertaking to publish a further collection of my articles and occasional pieces, and I repeat my earlier hope that their generosity will not come to appear misguided. In editing the material I have followed the principles explained in the previous prefaces, using square brackets to add explanations and corrections. I have also converted American and German printing conventions, especially in footnotes, into my standardised English practice, in order to achieve a seemly conformity. In view of what one or two reviewers of the third volume said, I think I must apologise for including three untranslated pieces in German, but that was the form in which they were published and moreover delivered: all three were lectures, one of them unscripted (and, owing to the failure of the tape-recorder, recalled from memory).

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# **ABBREVIATIONS**

AM John Foxe, Acts and Monuments. ed. J. Pratt (London, 1870)

BIHR Bulletin of the Institute of Historical Research

BL British Library

CJ Journal of the House of Commons DNB Dictionary of National Biography

EHR English Historical Review

HJ Historical Journal

HLRO House of Lords Record Office HMC Historical Manuscripts Commission

LJ Journals of the House of Lords

LP Letters and Papers, Foreign and Domestic, of the Reign of

Henry VIII, ed. J. S. Brewer, J. Gairdner, R. H. Brodie,

21 vols. (1862–1932)

OA Original Act

Parliament G. R. Elton, The Parliament of England 1559-1581 (Cam-

bridge, 1986)

PRO Public Record Office

Reform and Reformation G. R. Elton, Reform and Reformation: England

1509–1558 (London, 1977)

Reform and Renewal G. R. Elton, Reform and Renewal: Thomas Crom-

well and the Common Weal (Cambridge, 1973)

SR Statutes of the Realm, 11 vols. (1810–28)

STC A Short-Title Catalogue of Books Printed 1475–1640, 2nd edn

by W. A. Jackson and K. Pantzer (London, 1976, 1986,

1990)

TRHS Transactions of the Royal Historical Society

TRP Tudor Royal Proclamations, ed. P. L. Hughes and J. F.

Larkin, 3 vols. (New Haven, 1964, 1969)

Tudor The Tudor Constitution, ed. G. R. Elton, 2nd edn (Cam-

Constitution bridge, 1982)