

## Author's Preface

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Under each heading the articles are in chronological order. A brief note indicating the past and where relevant present state of each article has been printed before each text.

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