plight, and our endeavors have been to preserve the div-
voiess of that inspired bard even when the Jewish
language of the Scriptures is no longer understood.
Mr. Spurgeon then acknowledges his obligations to
Mr. Subridge, "without whose diligent assist-
ance, assistance, and advice, we could not have
produced this work."
He further records his thanks to every per-
son who has rendered any assistance toward its
completeness, and concludes with this note of
gratitude: "To all those whose names are not
mentioned, but whose kindness and sympathy we
cherish, and pray that all may derive a blessing
from our labor.
There are about 1,100 separate publications
in print, and nearly 1,000 more in the course of
publication. Such is the state of the periodical
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In the course of the last year, about 300 new
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number of periodical publications is probably
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Mr. Spurgeon, however, has not forgotten the
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