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P R E F A C E .



DURING last year the writer of the succeeding pages attempted to call to mind more clearly, and to arrange more systematically, some recollections of past scenes, the enjoyment experienced from which has tended to impress them deeply upon her memory.

A residence for some time, together with subsequent visits, has rendered her peculiarly alive to the natural beauties of Monmouthshire, she has, therefore, endeavoured to embody her pleasing reminiscences of them in a simple story, founded *partly* upon facts.

With this view the first chapters contained in this little volume were published last year in the "AMATEUR," a quarterly magazine of limited and almost private circulation.

The subsequent discontinuance of that Periodical, and the request of several of its subscribers, have, however, led the authoress to finish and publish her story under another form.

Without further preface, she now sends forth this, her humble endeavour, sincerely trusting that its readers will be lenient rather than rigid in their criticisms upon it.

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