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PREFACE



I HAVE used the Basel edition of the Works of Erasmus, 9 vols., 1540, and have occasionally referred to the Leyden edition, 10 vols., 1703-06. Where translations were available I have used them; as, the old English translation of the *Enchiridion*, reprinted by Methuen, Lond., 1905; the Rev. E. Johnson's edition of N. Bailey's *Colloquies*, 2 vols., Lond., 1875; the selections from the same by Professor Whitcomb for the historical series of the University of Pennsylvania, Phil., 1902; the Rev. James Copner's translation of the *Praise of Folly*, Lond., 1878; and the invaluable collection of Erasmus's letters to 1517 (*The Epistles of Erasmus*), arranged chronologically with scholarly introductions and comments by Francis Morgan Nichols, 2 vols., Longmans, 1901, '04. (A new complete edition of the Epistles in Latin has been begun by P. S. Allen, an enthusiastic Erasmus scholar, with an elaborate commentary, Vol. I, Oxford Univ. Press, 1906.)

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