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## P R E F A C E.

THE aim of this book is to supply easy stories illustrating the elementary principles of the Simple and Compound sentence. Short selections from the *Public School Primer* (for permission to use which I am indebted to the Rev. Canon Kennedy) are printed at the head of the Notes to each Part: explanation of these is left to the master. The Geographical and Historical Notes are very brief, as they are intended for boys who are not likely to be acquainted with Ancient History. I am greatly indebted to my friend Mr. Arthur Sidgwick for most valuable and constant help, and for his kindness in revising the whole work. I have also to thank the Rev. F. D. Morice for corrections in the text, and Mr. J. S. Phillpotts, Head Master of Bedford School, for some most useful suggestions. Most of these stories are adapted from an old translation of Herodotus by Schweighaeuser.

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## PREFACE TO SECOND EDITION.

**A**T the suggestion of some friends, I have in this Edition added an Alphabetical List of Proper Names, with the quantities marked. The Vocabulary has also been revised and added to, and some slight alterations have been made in the Text and Notes.

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## PART I.

### I.—THE STORY OF ARION.

*Arion, after travelling abroad, hires a vessel to take him home.*

1.—ARION citharista præclarus erat. Is diu apud Periandrum Corinthiorum regem versatus erat. Tum in Italiam Siciliamque navigare cupivit. Ingentibus opibus ibi comparatis, Corinthum redire voluit. Itaque Tarento, urbe Italise, profectus est; ibi navigium hominum Corinthiorum conduxerat.

*The sailors form a plan to rob and murder him.*

2.—Hi autem eum in mare proicere constituerunt; pecunia enim potiri cupiebant. Tum vero Arion consilium intellexit. Tristis ad preces confugit. Pecunia omni nautis oblata, vitam deprecatus est. Nautae vero precibus viri non commoti, mortem ei statim minati sunt.

*Arion sings a beautiful song, and leaps overboard.*

3.—In has angustias redactus Arion, in puppi stetit, omni ornatu suo indutus. Tum unum e carminibus canere incepit. Nautae suavi carmine capti e puppi mediam in navem concesserunt. Ille omni ornatu indutus, capta cithara, carmen peregit. Cantu