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PREFACE.

It will be seen, from the subjects, that some of the pieces inserted must necessarily have been written many years ago, and, therefore, that the aspirant for public approval cannot now shelter any deficiencies that may appear, under the plea of youth. To one thing, however, he may perhaps fearlessly pretend—to the certainty of none of the Poems being capable of giving offence to either religious sect or political party, from anything that is advanced in them. Any disapproval must arise from an apparent lack of talent, or the failure of poetical imagination.

Of these last he is only too painfully fearful ;
and can only hope that some embodiment of
feeling, some redeeming idea, may be found,
that may tend to soften any asperity of criti-
cism, which else it might be useless to deprecate.

Sheffield, Feb. 2nd, 1843.

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