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" WHAT'S IN A NAME ?"

" Imago animi, vultus, vitæ, Nomen est."—**POTERANUS.**



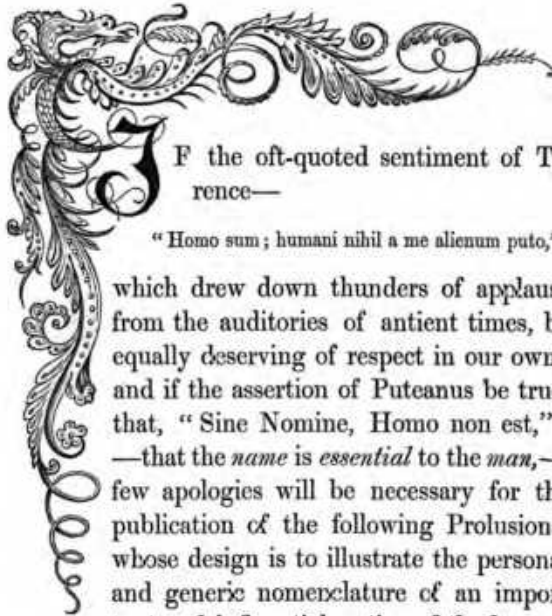
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## Preface.



IF the oft-quoted sentiment of Terence—

“Homo sum ; humani nihil a me alienum puto,”

which drew down thunders of applause from the auditories of antient times, be equally deserving of respect in our own ; and if the assertion of Puteranus be true, that, “Sine Nomine, Homo non est,”\* —that the *name* is *essential* to the *man*,—few apologies will be necessary for the publication of the following Prolusions, whose design is to illustrate the personal and generic nomenclature of an important and influential section of the human race. The utilitarian, it is true, may regard my labours as of little value, and put in a ‘Cui bono?’ but my reply to him shall be a brief one.—“Whatever

\* Distr. De Erycio.