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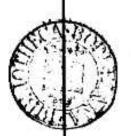
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PREFACE AND DEDICATION.

My Preface is an apology. I know the public to be overburdened with rhyme, and that it is cruel as well as foolish to place a last straw on the back of any camel; but the straw if devoured? this is the question. Some years ago being diffident of the praise of one who in poesy could afford to be generous, I sent the MS. to another editorial friend of my prose, whose verdict was quite the reverse! When critics differ, wise folk prefer peace to poetry, so the lines were laid by. Publishers however will lead to the printer's devil;—to mine I DEDICATE

this booklet, if a failure as compensation for his loss, but should the straw be devoured, I DEDICATE success to those legal allies who have earned gratitude and respect from

THE SCRIBBLER.

INVOCATION.

Time is the test that tries terrestrial things,
Patience the crucible for sure essay,
Hope gives the heat that ebullition brings,
Sorrow the acid purging dross away;
Time, Patience, Hope, with Sorrow must combine
In the high numbers waking chords divine.

Wealth wins the world, a wanton wearing wings,
Pleasure a phantom tempting to betray,
Pride a thick veil which folly often flings,
Self-love a canker feeding on decay;
Wealth, Pleasure, Pride, with Love-of-self confine
Eyes to the dust, unworthy dreams are thine.

Love lends the lilies, Love the lowly lings,
Beauty bestowing on the grave and gay,
Thought gives the wild-bird trill the linnet sings,
Solitude speaking from the hidden spray;
Love, Beauty, Thought, in Solitude entwine
Some scintillations round thy feeblest shrine.