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## PREFACE.

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IN publishing this poem, the translator thinks it desirable to point out that his chief endeavour has been to adhere as closely as possible to the original, which is confessedly of surpassing beauty. The twenty-four sections into which the poem is divided are written each in a different measure. Some of these are peculiar : and this circumstance considerably increases the difficulty of giving a faithful and yet harmonious version. The translator has followed these measures without deviation, except in XXI, in which the alliteration has been abandoned from a fear of sacrificing the meaning of the context.

FORT GRANGE, GOSPORT.

May 3, 1872.



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