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THE RIGHT HONOURABLE THE LORD BLYTH,

OF BLYTHWOOD,

GRAND CROSS AND KNIGHT COMMANDER OF MANY CHIVALRIC ORDERS, WHOSE UNBROKEN FRIENDSHIP I HAVE ENJOYED FOR MORE THAN HALF A CENTURY.

#### FOREWORD.

MANY of my friends, especially those who are members of the Dublin Corinthian Club, have frequently asked me to put some of my "Reminiscences" into print. After much hesitation, I have the temerity to do so. My hesitation arose from the reflection that, although I hold some public positions, I am not in the broad meaning of the phrase a public man. One naturally expects "Autobiographies," "Reminiscences," "Memoirs," &c., to be given to the world by Statesmen, Leaders of Society, and celebrities generally. As I can lay no claim to be included in any of these categories, I hardly expect that my "Reminiscences" will prove attractive to the general public, but I venture to hope that they will not be quite uninteresting to the many friends and acquaintances whom in my long life it has been my good fortune to gain. Perhaps, even to those with whom I am unacquainted, some of the incidents which I record may not be devoid of interest.

I am indebted to my friend Mr. Henry Hunt, B.L., for his kind correction of the proofs of this book.

Dublin, December, 1912.

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#### ERRATA.

In haste to get this little book out before Christmas, final proofs were not revised, hence the numerous errata:—

Page 10, last line, should read "Demonstration did not make the late Queen Victoria feel uncomfortable."

Page 10, fourth fine from bottom, for "Legitimist" read-

Page 12, twelfth line, for "nearly old men," read "nearly all old men."

Page 18, fifth line from bottom, for "freklets" read "pikelets."

Page 30, line 11, for "as" read "am."

Page 34, line 5, for "Helen" read "Ellen."

Page 63, line 10, for "the thumb" read "a thumb."

Page 118, seventh line from bottom, for "such" read "when such." Sixth line from bottom, omit "and.",

Page 131, sixth line from bottom, for "Lintaigne" read "Lentaigne."

Page 133, sixth line from bottom, for "Harly" read "Harty."