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To my

Much esteemed Friend,

GEORGE J. DE WILDE, ESQ.,

This Volume

Is respectfully Dedicated.

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PREFACE.

THE reception of my former Volume of Poems was such as to induce me to again appear as an Author; and, on issuing the Prospectus for the present volume, it was a source of no small gratification to me to gain the support of nearly the whole of my former patrons; in many cases accompanied by a few cheering words of encouragement.

The circumstances under which my first, and the present volume were written, were widely different; whereas the former was written in the seclusion of a sedentary occupation, the present one was composed in the ceaseless din of a large manufactory, truthfully drawn in the Poem of "The Singers," at page 84.

I beg most cordially to thank my subscribers for the ready manner in which they have seconded my efforts to publish the work. From the nobleman down to my fellow-workmen, in nearly all cases, I had but to solicit to meet with a prompt acquiescence.

JOHN ASKHAM.

Wellingborough, June, 1866.





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