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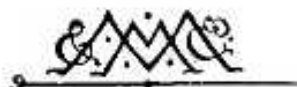
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[I owe an apology to the few scholars who may happen to read this hasty *jeu d'esprit*, for the inconsistent method in which I have spelt Greek names. The rule which I have tried to follow has been this: when the word has been hopelessly Latinised, as 'Phœbus' has been, I have left it as it usually stands; but in other cases I have tried to keep the plain Greek spelling, except when it would have seemed pedantic, or when, as in the word 'Tiphua,' I should have given an altogether wrong notion of the sound of the word. It has been a choice of difficulties, which has been forced on me by our strange habit of introducing boys to the Greek myths, not in their original shape, but in a Roman disguise.]

TO
MY CHILDREN
ROSE, MAURICE, AND MARY
A LITTLE PRESENT
OF OLD GREEK FAIRY TALES