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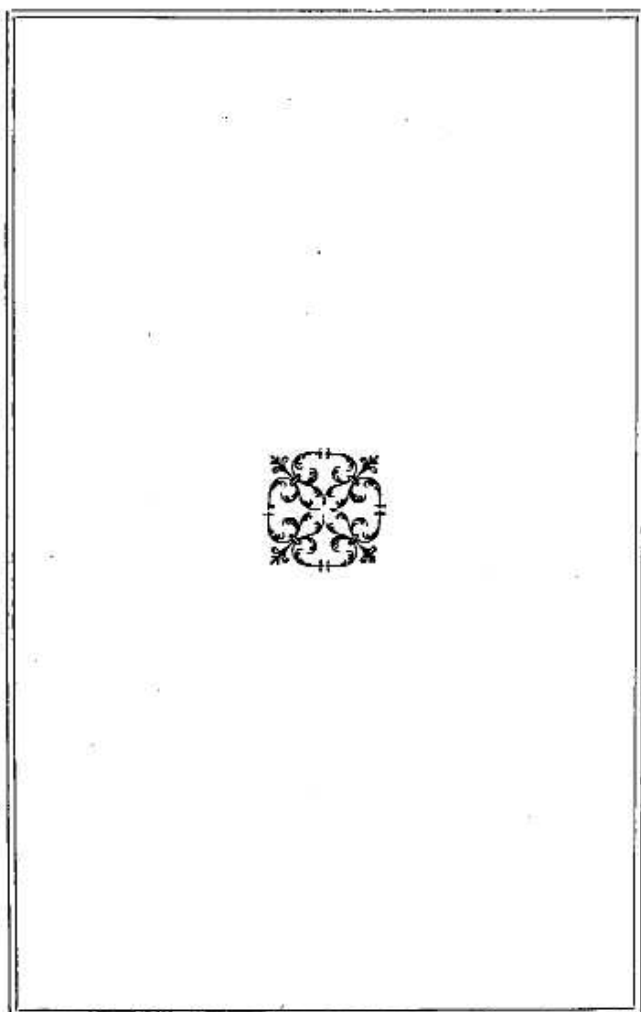
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P R E F A C E.

THERE may be no small leverage in a single line, especially a metrical one, which, besides being soon read, has the additional advantage of being less easily forgotten. In the spirit of this conviction the following pages have been composed, and though they have little pretension to originality, it is earnestly hoped they may, by God's blessing, assist the reader, especially the Christian believer, to live a higher and holier life, in these perilous days of worldly excitement and spiritual entanglement.

S. W. P.

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LEVER LINES.

ON for a higher style of Christian life!

GOOD is self-knowledge, but Christ-knowledge best.

THINK less of ease and gain, than usefulness.

A GOOD man is a silent homily.

OUR leisure is the Devil's tempting time.

BE doubly watchful in prosperity.

TIME will be priceless, ere we come to die.

OUR praise should be as boundless as God's love.

NONE are so wrong as they whose lives are wrong.

AS Christ died *for* sin, let us die *to* sin.

GOD's sweetest incense is—obedience.

LET me be nothing, so that Christ be all.

No Christian man should live in Murmur Street.

SEEK, first, God's kingdom ; then, thy daily bread.

THE sabbath is the savings-bank of life.

GIVE thyself early, wholly, to the Lord.

PRAYER is the ladder between earth and heaven.

WE serve the Devil if we serve not Christ.

BE generous, and God will send thee means.

MAKE noontide prayer the key-stone of the day.

OFT " getting on " in life means soul-decay.

SEE that thy good thoughts grow to holy deeds.

GOD's way, though sometimes strange, is always best.

CHRIST's service is the highest dignity.

HIGH motive can ennoble meanest acts.

How half-regenerate many good men are !

HE is the greatest who serves Christ the best.

BETTER is harmony than unison.

How many pray who have not learned to wait !

LIFE is a warfare, much more Christian life.

WE reap in sowing ; and in teaching, learn.

OH that men wanted only what they need!

BEWARE of him who scoffs at sacred things.

IT is not great surroundings make men great.

HEAVEN is not so much where, as what, we are.

CHRIST empties first the heart that He would fill.

ACT dutefully, and leave results to God.

How little Self-indulgence has to give!

TRUST anything before thy wicked heart.

How often trouble is heaven's gate to us!

OH that men would but strive to live their prayers!

WHAT, in Christ's name, we give, we never lose.

How fast the sands of this short life run out!

WHAT an enchanter's wand Contentment is!

How Self is shrined in unregenerate hearts!

BE chiefly anxious for a useful life.

EVEN the Devil hates hypocrisy.

LET us be levers to our fellow-men.

TROUBLES are blessings when they lead to Christ.