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TO MY THREE BOYS.

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I AM indebted to the *Century Magazine* for permission to reprint such of the following poems as were originally published in that magazine. The character sketches in the latter part of the volume first appeared in the *New York Daily Graphic*, in its early days, over the pen name of Peleg Arkwright, an awkward and unsuggestive pseudonym which I did not originate myself, and of which I was always heartily ashamed.

THE AUTHOR.

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THE WILLIS.

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THE Willis are out to-night,
In the ghostly pale moonlight,
With robes and faces white.

Swiftly they circle round,
And make not any sound,
Nor footprint on the ground.

The forest is asleep;
All things that fly or creep
A death-like silence keep.

A fear is over all;
From spectral trees and tall
The gathering night-dews fall.

Moveless are leaf and limb,
While through the forest dim
Slow glides a figure slim.