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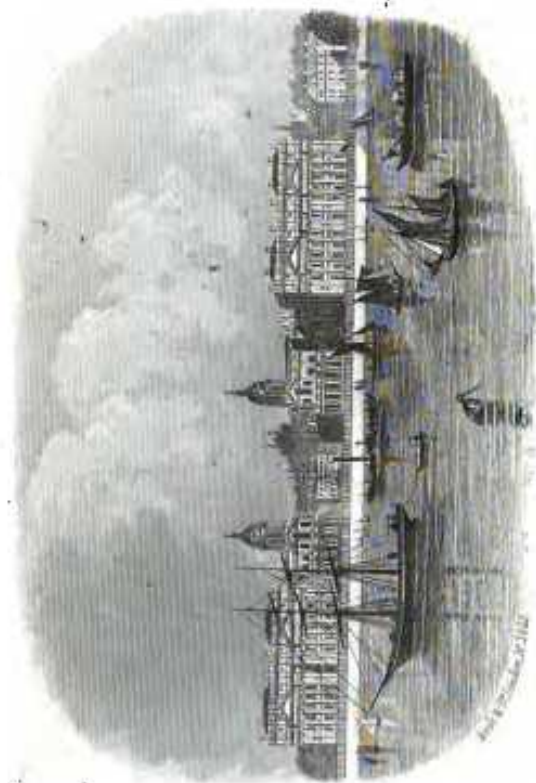
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Royal Hospital, Greenwich, from the Thames.

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"So it falls out,
That what we have we prize not to the worth
While we enjoy it; but being lack'd and lost,
Why then we reck the value; then we find
The virtue that possession would not show us
While it was ours."

SHAKESPEARE.

GREENWICH:
EDWARD GEORGE BERRYMAN,
84, BLACKHEATH ROAD, S.E.

1882.

GREENWICH.



N Thames's Bank, in silent thought we stood
Where Greenwich smiles upon the silver flood ;
Struck with the seat that gave Eliza birth,
We kneel, and kiss the consecrated earth,
In pleasing dreams the blissful age renew,
And call Britannia's glories back to view,
Behold her cross triumphant on the main,
The guard of commerce and the dread of Spain.

Dr. Johnson's "London."

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THIS LITTLE VOLUME
IS
RESPECTFULLY DEDICATED
TO
SIR GEORGE B. AIRY, LL.D., K.C.B., M.A., F.R.S., ETC.,
IN TOKEN OF THE ADMIRATION
IN WHICH
HIS EXALTED TALENTS,
GREAT INTELLECTUAL CAPACITIES,
AND SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERIES,
ARE HELD
BY
THE AUTHOR.



PREFACE.

IN bringing this little work on Greenwich under the notice of the public, I hope that much of the information contained therein will be new to some, and interesting to many, for *Quum ea quae praeterierunt animo attento intuemur, tunc aegritudo sequitur si illa mala sint, laetitia si bona.*

As the work is small, it has been necessary in many cases to summarise instead of giving in detail, so I have endeavoured, as far as possible, to note facts of interest in a short and concise manner, thus providing an outline which the mind of the reader could readily fill in.

The history has been compiled, with much labour, from very many, and old, authors, from whose works I have given extracts here and there.

Having myself, from time to time, wished very much for an account of the Greenwich of to-day, and finding none, worthy of the name, of later date than 1834, I have, for a long time past, determined that,