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PREFACE

As I think that some people, beyond the bounds of Wessex, would allow me the pleasure of believing that they have deemed the matter of my homely poems in our Dorset mother-speech to be worthy of their reading, I have written a few of a like kind, in common English; not, however, without a misgiving that what I have done for a wider range of readers, may win the good opinion of fewer.

W. BARNES.

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