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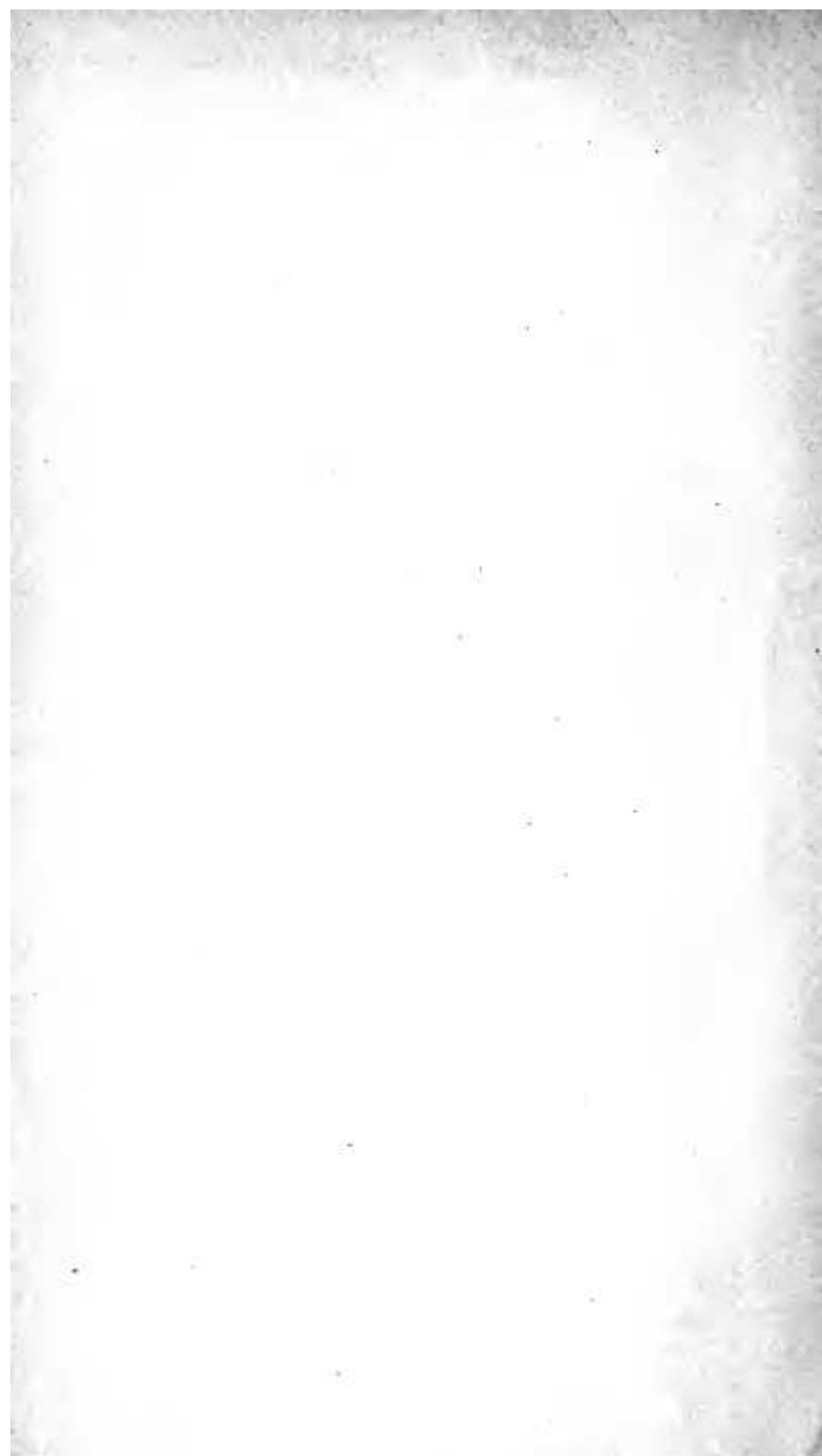
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with the affectionate regards
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TRANSLATOR'S PREFACE.



THE aim of the translator in presenting this work to the English public is twofold.

The idea of its publication was undoubtedly first suggested by a sense of the importance of its subject, and the reception of its counsels among Italian working men has been such as might well encourage the hope of at least a proportionate appreciation in England. Although not published in Italy until 1858, and appearing then in the columns of the *Pensiero e Azione* and *Unità Italiana*, two liberal papers which were the object of incessant persecution and constant sequestration by the Italian Government, there is not, at the present time, a single important town in free Italy which does not boast its Working Man's Association, established on the basis recommended in the Economical Chapter of this work; and a volume might be filled with the addresses of grateful and affectionate reverence

sent to the exiled Author, announcing his election as honorary Member or President of these Associations.

If, however, the intrinsic value of the work itself is amply sufficient to justify its publication in an English form, the Translator has yet another motive for offering this little volume to the consideration of her countrymen.

The remarkable unity which is the characteristic of Mr. Mazzini's mind, affords a singular facility for estimating the power and intensity of his genius from a solitary or special manifestation, even as the master hand of Phidias may be traced in a single fragment of the sculpture of the Parthenon. Moreover, the Religious Faith which is the basis of the morality taught in the following pages, is, at the same time, the explanation of the character and career of their Author, both as a Politician and as a man.

Sixteen years of earnest study of his teachings and of his public acts, have made this Revolutionist known to the Translator as the severe supporter of every legitimate authority; this Anarchist, as essentially a man of Order; and this most zealous opponent of the established religion of his country, as the most enlightened and devout Religious Thinker of the present day.

And now that the "Dream of the Enthusiast" has been verified, and the "Utopia" of Italian Unity has been proved to be a practical reality, now that regenerated Italy has become the object of the admiring sympathy of all England, it is surely time that the Dreamer and Utopist, to whose thirty years' apostolate is owing the realisation of the prophecies of his fervent youth, should be known to Englishmen in some other wise than through the calumnies of correspondents.

All true Englishmen love Fair Play. No longer then let Joseph Mazzini be judged from hearsay or report; but out of his own mouth let them judge, and approve or condemn him.

London,

October, 1862.