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PREFACE.

THIS book is the first of a series of *Reading Primers*, intended to give extracts from the more important works of Old English literature in a convenient and easily accessible form, and in a moderate compass. The want of such a series has often been felt by students who have worked through my Anglo-Saxon Primer and Reader, and are at a loss for further reading.

The texts are printed exactly as in the MSS., except that *þ* and *ð* are levelled under *þ*, and that erroneous or anomalous spellings are occasionally relegated to the foot of the page. Letters not in the MS. are inclosed in []. The glossaries contain only such words and meanings as are not explained in the glossary to my Reader.

The present selection of homilies is taken from the Cambridge MS. printed by Thorpe. Thorpe's erroneous accentuation has been corrected by the MS., and a long passage omitted by him (on p. 25 of the present text) has been supplied.

HENRY SWEET.

LONDON, *September, 1885.*

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