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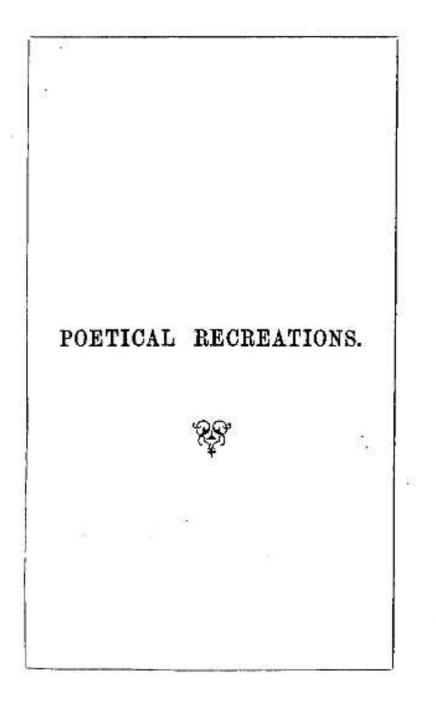
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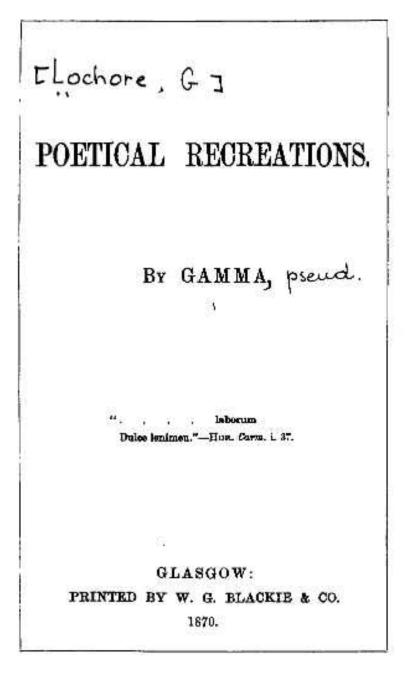
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#### PREFACE.

THESE "Poetical Recreations," as, for the want of a better title, the author has chosen to style them, are the result of leisure moments in the midst of other and more important avocations. They are a selection of what have appeared, as they were composed, in one or other of our local periodicals, wherein it was expected their ephemeral existence would have terminated. And now it is only in consequence of the continued solicitation of many friends that in their present shape and under the same *nom de plume* they are again put into type. Some

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of them should have an apology attached to them, inasmuch as they were got up in the *déshabille* of fireside familiarity, and are of a *paterfamilias* character. The little volume then is not for publication, but for the friendly use of those who are disposed to look upon what is written not with an eye of criticism, but with a kindly regard to the great truths embodied; and if in any shape in these productions the aim has been successful to advance the cause of righteousness, the result will be not only gratifying but thankworthy.

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