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Order is broke in thinges of weight,
Measure and meane who doth not flee,
Two thinges prevaile, money and sleight,
To seeme is better than to be.

THE EARL OF SURREY.

Meditations in the Tea Room.

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(Augustine Birrell?)



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PREFACE.

THESE my meditations are the result of those hours of leisure of which public life is for the most part made up.

Since they are the production of a Member of Parliament they will, I doubt not, be allowed some value; whether because all statements made by us are entitled to the respect they commonly receive, or because the true thoughts and views of a Member were never before publicly expressed, I care not to inquire.

I wish I could have gratified those of my constituents whom, in spite of their voting against me, I still represent, by putting my name upon the title-page of this little volume. But to have the courage of one's opinions is too dangerous a possession for me to claim—preferring, as I do, to have the good opinion of the world rather than to deserve it.





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