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· JOHN BARBOUR ·  
· ANDREW OF WYNTOUN ·  
· HENRY THE MINSTREL ·

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NOTE.

It has long been a reproach that, owing to the absence of an accessible edition, no popular knowledge of the early poetry of Scotland was possible—that, while texts of the early English poets, such as Chaucer, Langland, and Gower, were within reach of all, no such facilities were available for the equally interesting and valuable works of Thomas the Rhymer, Barbour, Wynthoun, and Henry the Minstrel. The present volume is an attempt to supply this want.

From their great bulk the works of the poets here dealt with may with obvious advantage be studied in selected form. In each case, however, an effort has been made, by means of summaries between the selected passages, to afford a view of the entire poem.

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