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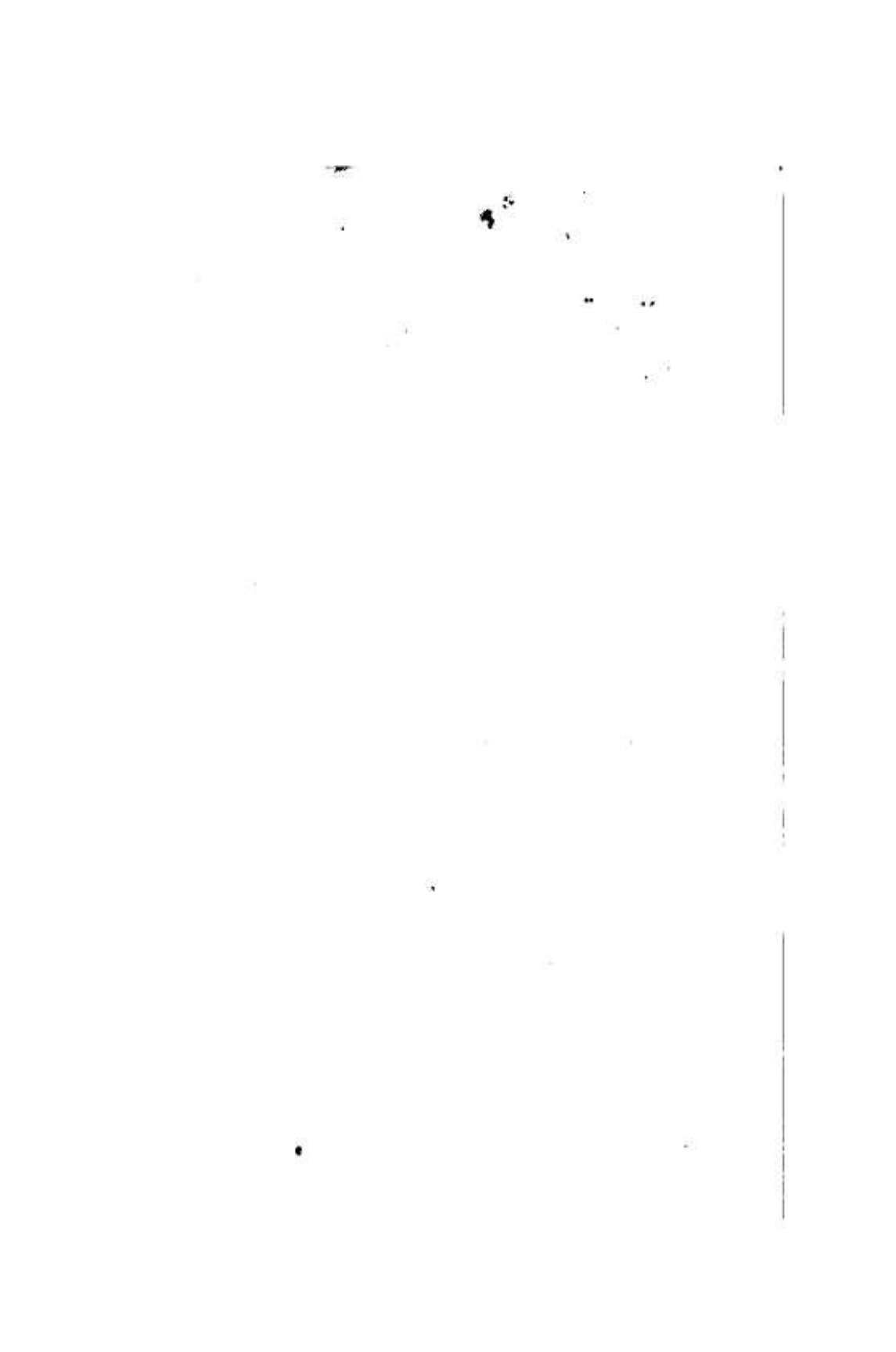
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PREFACE.

THE title adopted for this small work will, perhaps, sufficiently indicate its purpose. It may, however, be here remarked, that it is mainly in its more obvious and express adaptation to console under every kind of trial, that the volume will be found to differ from the one already published under the title of *Devotional Verse for a Month, and other brief Pieces*; and that, in the two combined, almost every great sacred topic on which it is important for the mind to meditate, will in its turn present itself to the reader.

A few lighter pieces are mingled here with others, in the hope that, being innocently gay, they may serve to beguile some moments consistently with the general character of the volume.

A small number of these poems have appeared anonymously before; but, as the Author believes, in a less finished form.

He trusts he shall not be misunderstood if he

adds, that a somewhat particular description of himself in the title-page is rendered desirable by the circumstance, that there appears to be another individual of precisely the same name who is a writer of published verse.

ROUNDHAY PARSONAGE,

March, 1859.

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