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### PREFATORY NOTE.

THIS volume is one of a series of French Plays, the editors of which have been good enough to adopt the plan of the edition of *Horace* published by me in the Clarendon Press Series, to permit me to read their proofs, and to admit among their work an 'Essay on the Progress of French Comedy,' which takes the place of those on Tragedy in the *Horace*. For this Essay I alone am responsible, as well as for the non-detection of any oversights in the remaining Prolegomena and the Notes, which are the work of the several editors, and the credit of which is solely due to them.

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