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JOHN HARRIS,

AUTHOR OF "MONRO," "WAYSIDE PICTURES," "THE TWO GLANTS," " TALES AND POEMS," ETC., ETC.



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PREFACE.

This is the author's fifteenth volume published on his own responsibility, at an outlay of more than one thousand pounds—a serious sum to be accounted for by a working man. Nearly thirty years ago he claimed for his verses originality and simplicity, which merit has been freely accorded him by the public and the press. He puts forth a similar claim for the pieces in the present collection, wherein he has earnestly aimed at the promotion of religion, temperance, morality, and truth—"Peace on earth, and good will toward men."

This volume has been written in his hours of leisure from the important duties of his calling as Scripture Reader at Falmouth, which might otherwise have been barren of fruit. His place of study, as in days gone by, has chiefly been the lanes and fields, his garden-bower, and solitary shore-paths, where the winds and waters ever teach with truthful voices. The composition of these poems has been their own reward, without the writing of which his carthly happiness would have been greatly diminished. As he brings out this book with the knowledge of the loss of many of his best supporters by death, the edition is limited, so as not to entrench too seriously on his slender finance. The few wood engravings are the work of his invalid son.

The author most cordially thanks his remaining patrons and friends for their kind and generous aid once more, and trusts that they, as well as an appreciative public, may find not a little in this his last collection to excite their just commendation, throughout which his chief aim has been to elevate his race.

FALMOUTH,

October 14th, 1881.

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