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HISTORICAL SKETCH OF THE LIFE  
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**Dedicated**

**TO THE CHILDREN OF GREAT BRITAIN,**

WITH THE EARNEST HOPE,

THAT THE BRIGHT EXAMPLE HELD UP BEFORE THEM,

IN THE CONSISTENT LOYALTY,

THE SINGLE-MINDED PATRIOTISM,

THE FAITHFUL DEVOTEDNESS TO DUTY, AND

THE STEADFAST LOVE OF TRUTH,

MANIFESTED THROUGHOUT THE LONG LIFE OF

**ARTHUR, DUKE OF WELLINGTON,**

MAY LEAD THEM

TO EMULATE HIS VIRTUES, AND

TO TREAD IN HIS STEPS.

## PREFACE.

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IF an apology is needed for writing another life of one whose history has already appeared in so many forms, it is contained in the simple request of a child: "Aunt, do write a life of the DUKE for Children. I cannot understand those that are written,—I want to know all about him." He, whose life contains the history of the present and past generation, and who has only just passed from amongst us, will always be retained in lively remembrance by those amongst whom he has so long dwelt: but children will only remember him as the venerable DUKE on whom they have looked with wonder as the hero of a past age, unless they are made familiar with his life, and are taught why England mourns for him as one man. He will survive amongst us in

outward monuments, and will dwell in our hearts as one whose life was devoted to his country, and whose noble deeds will go down to the latest generations; and shall we not strive to stir up in the hearts of the children of England a noble emulation to follow in his footsteps, that we may train up a patriot race who shall hereafter become the defenders and strength of our land, though the greatest of all her heroes has been removed for ever.



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