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From Photograph of a Boy on entering the School, now a respectable Tradesman.

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TO

M. E. L.

WHO HAS HER NAME GRAVEN

AT FULL LENGTH

ON THE

GRATEFUL HEARTS OF MANY CHILDREN SAVED

BY MEANS OF THAT

ORIGINAL RAGGED SCHOOL,

WHICH HAS OWED

SO MUCH OF ITS SUCCESS

TO HER GENEROUS, ZEALOUS, AND

. UNTIRING LABOURS.

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OR

PLEAS FOR RAGGED SCHOOLS.

FIRST PLEA.



N approaching Edinburgh from the west, after the general features which distance presents,—dome, and spire, and antique piles of building, the Castle standing in

the foreground, while Arthur Seat raises its lion-like back between the city and the sea,—the first object which attracts the eyes of a stranger is a structure of exquisite and surpassing beauty. It might be a palace for our Queen:—it is an hospital. Near by, embowered in wood, stands an edifice of less pretensions, but also great extent:—it is another