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DEDICATION.

TO THE HONORED MEMORY OF MY LATE WIFE,

ESTHER MARY WILLARD,—

WHO BORE WITH ME IN TEMPER AND SPIRIT,
CHEERED ME IN SICKNESS AND ADVERSITY, AND
EVER-CHERISHED ME IN LOVE AND KINDNESS,—

THIS WORK IS AFFECTIONATELY DEDICATED,

BY THE AUTHOR.

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PREFACE.

THE unsparing, yet impartial hand of time, will, with unerring certainty and precision, duly fit and apportion this work's true standard of literary excellence.

The theme chosen for this play, was selected by the author on account of its undying historical interest, as well as on account of the many opportunities, its incidents afford, for situations of rare dramatic power.

So, speed my bark upon the waters. It may return to me o'er-freighted with care and calumny, envy and misconstruction; or, it may be that heaven's balmiest zephyrs will waft it upon seas of such pure and happy distention, that their every ripple will purl in sweet contentment to my heart. Yet, be that as it may, no man dares question its honest, earnest course, or that it is freighted with the noblest aspirations for the good of men, and with such illustrations of precept and example as will tend to culture, strengthen, and support our weak humanity on earth.

THE AUTHOR.

PHILADELPHIA, October 4, A. D. 1890.



DRAMATIS PERSONÆ.

- JULIUS CÆSAR, Dictator and Imperator of Rome.
JUNIUS BRUTUS, prætor of Rome, and senator.
MARK ANTONY, master of horse to Cæsar.
CASSIUS, a senator.
P. SERVILIUS CASCA, tribune of the plebeians, and senator.
OCTAVIUS CÆSAR, nephew and heir of Cæsar.
TREBONIUS, ex-consul, and senator.
LEPIDUS, master of horse to Octavius Cæsar.
DENTATUS, }
CIMBER, } senators.
DECIMUS, }
CLITO, } merchants.
SYLLA, }
LEONTI, a page.
COBBLER.
BEPPO, a drunkard.
ICILIUS, captain of Cæsar's guard.
IRENÆUS, aid to Antony.
ANSELMO, servant to Casca.
STEWARD to Casca.
GIUSEPPE ARNO, a spy.
CALPHURNIA, wife of Cæsar.
PORTIA, wife of Brutus.
THE NAZARENE, a prophetess.
LADY MINSTREL.
Senators, priests, soothsayers, soldiers, citizens, petitioners,
plebeians, and attendants.

