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TO

MY SISTER

*Pure in heart and true in deed—  
From your life I learned my creed.*

“And long it was not after when I was confirmed  
in this opinion that he who would not be frustrate  
of his hope to write well hereafter in laudable  
things, ought himself to be a true poem.”

JOHN MILTON.



## PREFACE

The majority of the poems included in this volume have not hitherto appeared in print. A few were published in "New Songs," an anthology from the press of Chapman and Hall, London, in 1907. Some others have appeared in various periodicals to whose editors thanks are due for courteous permission to republish at this time. The author would also here express to his mother and his friend, Dr. Henry van Dyke, his deep gratitude for their generous services in reading the proof and for the many valuable suggestions they have given him.

Now as these scattered songs of faith and love and friendship are sent upon their way the author prays his friends, for whom they are intended, to separate the chaff from the wheat and retain as their own what they shall find to be worth the keeping.

H. A. W.

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