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PREFACE

THE text of the present edition of the Adelphoe is substantially that of Dziatzko's edition of the text of the six plays, published at Leipzig in 1884, in the Tauchnitz series. The only departure from that edition, aside from a few matters of punctuation, is in verse 56, where, for the sake of the sense, I have substituted audaeter for aut audebit, from Dziatzko's edition of the single play, published in 1881. Dziatzko's text is confessedly the best, and the illustrative quotations from the other plays have in all cases been made from it in the notes. A collation (not published) of the Codex Parisinus, made by Prof. E. M. Pease, came to my hands after the text had gone to press. Had I seen it sooner I should have been tempted to use it, in connection with other apparatus, for a fresh revision of the text of the Adelphoe. But the advantage of using a text uniform, as it were, with that of the other plays, and at the same time of such high authority as that of Dziatzko will, I am

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sure, outweigh the possible gain to be derived from an independent recension, especially in the case of a book intended chiefly for college use. On the other hand, I have endeavoured to give an account of all important readings in an appendix, which is in part based on Dziatzko's Kritisch - exegetischer Anhang to the Adelphoe (1881), and will be found to be, in great measure, a defence of the adopted text. But I have not always been able to agree with the German editor's conclusions, and, in venturing to differ from him, have expressed my opinion accordingly.

In making the commentary I have consulted various editions of Terence; but of commentaries on the Adelphoe those of A. Spengel (Berlin, 1879) and of Carl Dziatzko (Leipzig, 1881) have been of greatest service, and I hope that this acknowledgment sufficiently expresses my deep sense of obligation to these two scholars. The edition of the Adelphoe by A. Sloman (Oxford, 1886) has also been of very great use, as well as Spengel's Andria (1888) and Dziatzko's Phormio (1885); and I have had at hand the Captivi, Trinummus, and Miles Gloriosus of Plautus, by the late Dr. Julius Brix. To these should be added the Andria and Adelphoe by E. P. Crowell, the Menacchmi of Plautus by H. N. Fowler, the various editions of single plays of Plautus and Terence in Macmillan's Classical Series, the usual grammars and books of reference, and the authors cited below.

For the Introduction I am indebted to the works already named, but especially to the following: Teuffel's History of Roman Literature (rev. by Schwabe, tr. by Warr); Das Leben der Griechen und Römer, 4th ed. (1876), by Guhl and Koner; The Attic Theatre (1889), by A. E. Haigh; Sellar's Roman Poets of the Republic, 3rd ed.; Introduction to the Andria and Heauton timorumenos, by A. F. West; Introduction to the Pseudolus of Plantus, by E. P. Morris; the respective Introductions to their editions of Terence by Parry, Wagner, and Umpfenbach; A Companion to School Classics, 3rd ed., by James Gow; "Das Bühnenwesen der Griechen und Römer," by G. Oehmichen in I. v. Müller's Handbuch, v.; and Mommsen's History of Rome. Obligations to works not included in these lists have been duly credited where they belong.

Quotations from Plautus are by the lines of the Ritschl edition edited by Loewe, Goetz, and Schoell; but as the *Mostellaria* and *Cistellaria* are still wanting in that edition, references have been made to Ussing for these two plays. Citations from Cicero and Ovid follow the Tauchnitz texts; those from other ancient writers, generally the Teubner.

I have referred the pupil from time to time