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WITH CORRECTIONS, AND A PREFACE TO THE ENGLISH
EDITION BY THE AUTHOR.

And be appointed singers before the Lord, that should praise
the Beauty of Holiness.—*CANTICONS.*

OXFORD,

JOHN HENRY PARKER,

AND 377, STRAND, LONDON.

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TO

JOHN HENRY HOBART.

MY DEAR HOBART,

I dedicate these Ballads to you, as a duty and as a pleasure: as a duty, because but for you they would never have been written, and as a pleasure, because I rejoice to associate my name with yours, in any thing, however humble, which I am permitted to do for the Church of God. I need not add, that I consider it in happy harmony with their design, that I am privileged to inscribe them to the inheritor of a name, whose praise is in all the Churches.

I know that to you at least they will not be unacceptable. The glistening dews of a Christian boyhood are fast drying up from

both of us ; but here are some results of rambling talks, and rural walks, and holiday diversions, which for years we have enjoyed together, and which through life will be dear to memory, as having gradually led us to find our best delight, and to choose our portion, in the amiable dwellings of the LORD OF HOSTS.

Yours, my dear Hobart,

A. C. C.

St. John's, Hartford,
June 28th, 1860.





P R E F A C E

TO THE ENGLISH EDITION.

THE people of America are becoming in many respects more intimately allied with the mother-country, than they were before their independence. Whatever goes to develop such an alliance contributes to the prosperity of both countries, and does something for the good of the human race, not to say for the glory of Him whose advent was peace and good-will.

I have thought it not impossible that the little book now presented in an English dress, may prove interesting to many in Great Britain, as a proof of the unity of the Anglican and Anglo-American Churches, and of the harmonizing influences which those Churches may exert upon national relations. To some it may prove an accept-