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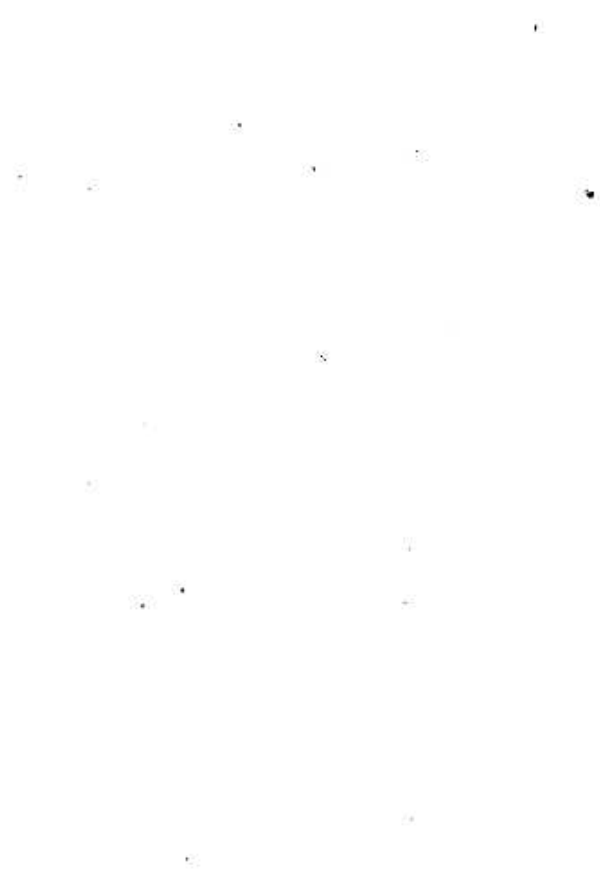
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### PREFATORY NOTE.

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THE author owes it to himself to offer a word of explanation regarding the title of his story. It bears so striking a resemblance to Mrs. Burnett's "That Lass o' Lowrie's" that the reader might be pardoned for supposing that the title had been borrowed from her. As a matter of fact, however, it is not so. The story was planned and the title chosen some considerable time before "That Lass o' Lowrie's" appeared in *Scribner's Monthly*; but, owing to the pressure of other work, it was not finished until several months afterwards. Moreover, every one who knows anything of the Aberdeenshire dialect will bear me out in this, that there is no more common or favourite expression among the people, whereby to designate a mischievous boy, than "That loon o' so-and-so's," whatever the name might be, delivered with special emphasis on the first two words. Any other resemblance between the two stories must be more imaginary than real.

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