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"The web of our life is of a mingled yarn, good and ill together." ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL.

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TO THE MEMBERS OF THE

BOHEMIAN CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO,

TO WHOSE WARM-HEARTED FELLOWSHIP AND UNSTINTED KINDNESS I AM INDEBTED FOR MUCH OF THE HAPPINESS OF MY LIFE, AND WHOSE INFLUENCE IS APPARENT UPON ALL THAT THIS VOLUME CONTAINS, I DEDICATE ITS PAGES WITH GRATEFUL MEMORIES, AND FEEL-INGS OF AFFECTIONATE REGARD.

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PREFATORY NOTE.

I DESIRE to disarm all hostile criticism upon the contents of this book, by stating that it is solely in obedience to the wishes of friends that these simple sketches have been collected and placed before the public eye. No one knows better than I do their numerous blemishes, but I prefer to present them as they are, rather than to attempt their elaboration, conscious at least of the fact that their publication, if it do little good, can on the other hand be productive of no harm to any but the author.

Hy. EDWARDS.

WALLACK'S THEATRE, NEW YORK, Dec., 1882.

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