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WITH A SUCCINCT SKETCH OF THE GOSPEL WORK TO
THE PRESENT TIME.

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"Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke?"—ISAIAH lviii. 6.

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I LITTLE thought, else keen had been my pain,
Those brilliant eyes should beam on me no more;
That scarcely fifteen moons should wax and wane,
Ere death had sealed them by blue Leman's shore.

Dear MATAMOROS! no friend have I known
Of soul less soiled with earthliness than thine;
In chains and exile, brave thy Lord to own,
The victor's wreaths thy martyr temples twine.

Loving and lovely, gentle, guileless, pure,
All base alloy thy lofty bosom spurned:
To lead thy bleeding Spain to Christ for cure,
With life-consuming fire that bosom burned.

I loved thee, as did those of many a clime—
Thy glorious race on earth seemed but begun.
The Lord "does all things well." In golden prime
Thou servest now, where shines no setting sun.

And BRIDEL's * voice by Leman's lake is dumb;
Its silvery tones on earth are hushed for aye:
The Great Belov'd has to His garden come,
And, stooping, caught the lilies quick away.

* A Swiss Pasteur at whose house Matamoros lived during his stay at
Lausanne.

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PREFACE TO THE THIRD EDITION.

IN issuing a Third Edition of the Life of Manuel Matamoros, I desire to express my thankfulness, first, to the Giver of all good things, who has permitted me to collect these truthful, though alas! imperfect, details of the Life and Death of one who was His faithful soldier and servant, and secondly, to those Christian friends whose wishes have been carried out in the republication of this little book, as their prayers, encouragement and pecuniary assistance have rendered it possible.

One of these friends, in speaking of the subject of this memoir, said to me, "How closely he followed in the steps of his Divine Master." This is his best and truest eulogy. May it please our God to raise up many such in Spain and in Britain, and may He give His blessing to this repetition of a weak endeavour to promote His Glory.

W. G.

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