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## ERRATA.

- Page 72, line 21, *for* "case" *read* "care."  
 " 97, " 7, *for* "halcyon" *read* "alcyon."  
 " 126, " 12, *for* "dross" *read* "draff."

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## *PREFACE TO MY FRIENDS.*

Side by side within this cover,  
Shrinking from oblivion's rage,  
Travel youth, and priest, and lover,  
Would-be wit, and stammering sage.

What the issue of their roving  
Neither you nor I may tell;  
I the parent, you the loving  
Friends who wish my wanderers well.

Tho' they dare not hope caressing  
Where so many slighted pine,  
Yet the odour of your blessing  
Heartens them like holy wine.