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## Dedication.

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*Critic.* A doctor heroine! Sir, it will not do.  
Besides, the story is all tags and shreds:  
It wants in sequence; fits not with the taste  
Of modern readers, who must need have food  
That pricks the palate—toothsome and well spiced.  
Take my advice; it will not suit the trade.

*Author.* Ah, there the note which gives the key to all  
Which forms our judgment: Will our action pay?  
"It is in tatters"!? So is each man's life,  
And but for patches, small man's moral gear.  
"It wants in sequence"!? Being thus, most true;  
And morbid mouths may mumble it in vain,  
To find the flavour fits their appetites.  
But, as it is, so every word shall stand;  
For he who fears the verdict writes in chains:  
And without freedom, nothing worth remains.  
So to the Public I now dedicate  
This pen-sketched picture: in their hands its fate.

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Gratefully Inscribed

TO

SARAH BECK HARVEY,

WHOSE FRIENDSHIP AND RARE GIFTS

HAVE BROUGHT ME SO MANY

HOURS OF PLEASURE.



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