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PREFACE.

These Sketches, which I have ventured to call *TALES*, drawn partly from memories of incidents of old times, but mostly from imagination, were written for the sake of my own entertainment, in the evenings when I had nothing else to do. And now I am going to let them be published in a little book, having been persuaded, perhaps too easily, that they may amuse others, enough at least to have me excused both for the writing and the publishing. I know very well that such words as these, which are meant for a Preface, may be regarded rather as an apology. Let it be so; and if it be thought not sufficient, even as such, it is as much, I insist, as ought to be expected from a man of my age.

P. P.

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