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*Jagers.* Will you sing?  
*Amiens.* More at your request than to please myself.  
*Touchstone.* Loves are given to poetry.  
*As you like it.*

*Clara.* What hast here?—Ballads!—  
*Mopsa.* Pray now buy some.  
*Winter's Tale.*

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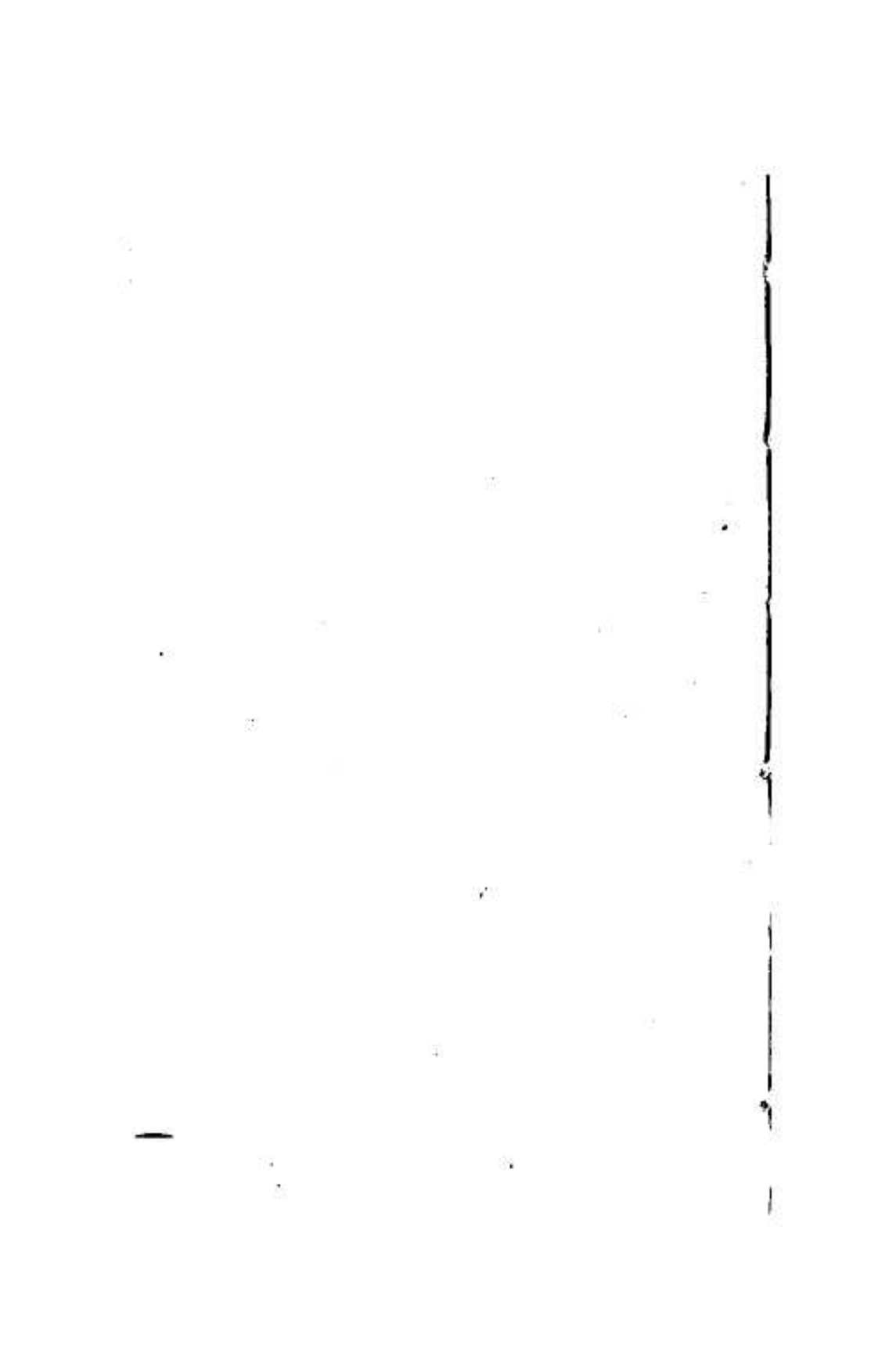
## PREFACE.

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THE advice of many literary friends has induced me to offer the following pages to the world. I should have feared to do so on my own judgment. I have to be thankful for the public favour with which many of the songs have already been received in a musical shape; whether they will bear to be separated from the airs to which I have wedded them is yet to be determined:—my friends say that, after the fashion of another sort of separation, they will survive the divorce. I hope they are right.

SAMUEL LOVER.

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TO LORD VISCOUNT MORPETH,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR IRELAND.

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MY LORD,

ALTHOUGH entertaining the highest admiration of your Lordship's private worth, it is in your public capacity I beg to inscribe to you the following pages.

Former Secretaries of State for Ireland have considered the fulfilment of government duties sufficient, and having buckled on their political armour, have seemed to consider it impossible to lay it aside; but to your Lordship is due the credit of having discovered a neutral ground whereon your love of Ireland might display itself, apart from the fiery contention of politics, and where, unarmed, you might tread in security. That one sacred spot is the refined and refining region of literature and the arts. You, my Lord, have dedicated one particular banquet, among your official entertainments, to rally

round you Irishmen distinguished in arts and letters, regardless of their private political opinions ; thus honoring with a distinct recognition the genius and talent of Ireland.

Of this mark of favour to my country, which you, my Lord, are the first to have instituted, I, for one, profess myself proud ; and as some of the following songs relate to my native land, they may the more fitly be offered as a heartfelt homage to your Lordship from a grateful Irishman.

I have the honour to be,

Your Lordship's obliged and faithful servant,

SAMUEL LOVER.

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