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"By the grace of God I have a horror of what is common place."—LACORDAIRE.

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EXPLANATION OF THE TITLE.

FIRING sky rockets is an amusement to which the author has been in times past no stranger, as well as the preparation of those various colored fires to which barytes, strontian, camphor, and iron filings lend their splendor. The sky rocket, like the prayer of a just man, pierces the skies, "ceelos penetrat." The descending stick is probably the most dangerous part of the whole pyrotechnic performance. It may chance to hurt somebody. Believing that my rockets themselves are, for the most part, of a brilliant order, calculated both to amuse and instruct, I have avoided, in the present volume, the use of any of the heavier sticks.