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PREFACE.

I am desired by the amiable and talented Author of the beautiful book now in the hand of the reader, to write a PREFACE for the same; and most gladly do I comply with her wish.

I do so for two reasons: First--Because, knowing the lady, I believe her principal object has been to do good, which meets with my fullest sympathy; and Second.--Because, after closely reading the work, I have proved that she has succeeded, at least so far as one person is concerned, being agreeably conscious, over and over again, of benefit derived from her effort.

It is possible, in writing a PREFACE, to do so from two different standpoints—that of the severe critic, and that of the friendly fellow-worker. The former standpoint is oftentimes far from commendable, the sourness, churlishness, prejudice, and occasionally positive malice of the individual appearing in the task; and even where these are absent, a display of skill to discover imperfections, simply to gain reputation as a competent bookman. Now, while no man of sense will be for laying aside the discriminative faculty, or for dispensing entirely with judgment even to disapproval; there is something better than heresy-sniffing, fault-finding, and all-round unsociability; and I leave to those who may review this work for the Press, if so disposed, the part of discovering a bone to crunch, while I devote the little space allotted me to the more genial work of calling attention to its excellencies.