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" How beautiful your presence, how benign,  
Servant of God ! who not a thought will share  
With the vain world ; who, outwardly as bare  
As winter trees, yield no fallacious sign  
That the firm soul is clothed with fruit divine !  
Such priest, when service worthy of his care  
Has called him forth to breathe the common air,  
Might seem a saintly image from the shrine  
Descended :—happy are the eyes that meet  
The apparition ; evil thoughts are stayed  
At his approach, and low-bowed necks entreat  
A benediction from his voice or hand ;  
Whence grace, through which the heart can understand  
And vows, that bind the will, in silence made."

—WORDSWORTH.



## PREFACE.

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**I**N these pages is presented a concise account of Cuthberht, the saintly apostle of Northumbria, with some sketches of those associated in his mission. The times in which Cuthberht lived have been described somewhat fully. In obtaining some of his materials, the author has been indebted to Dr Greenwood and the other Trustees of Owen's College. From the Rev. Professor Bright, of Oxford, and the Rev. Dr Charles Rogers, of the Royal Historical Society, he has received help and encouragement. To the Rev. J. F.

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