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PREFACES are out of date, but I may be permitted, here, to state that this Novel of Incident was written some years ago when the Author's acquaintance with the world, the flesh, and His Satanic Majesty was small in degree and imaginative in quality. The story was first published in a periodical, and, notwithstanding its too palpable inconsistencies and crudity, obtained a fair share of success. That success is the cause of its republication in this form. While reading the proofs for this edition I attempted to

