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TO
MARY HOWITT,
WHOSE SWEET POEMS ARE HOUSEHOLD WORDS
TREASURED BY OLD AND YOUNG,
THIS VOLUME IS INSCRIBED,
WITH AFFECTION AND ESTEEM,
BY ONE WHO,
DURING SIX-AND-THIRTY CHANGEFUL YEARS,
HAS FOUND, IN HER,
AN UNCHANGING FRIEND.

A. J. S.

Lengnick, Glasgow.

P R E F A C E.

THE aim of the writer, throughout the following pages, has been to present a true picture of the poet MOORE—the man, his life, and works. The facts have been carefully culled from reliable sources; and various opinions regarding the poet and his writings, although formed from different points of view, have nevertheless, in accordance with this aim, been duly recorded. Copious extracts from his Poems and from his Diary are also given, so as to enable the reader, while making use of the information, criticism, and guidance herein afforded, also, independently, to judge of and enjoy for himself what we set before him.

A. J. S.

LANGSIDE, GLASGOW,
1879.

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