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Forth to the world, thou messenger of truth,
And peace, and love ! Thy benediction breathe
On hearts now waiting for thee ! Humbly speak
In Christ's good name, and in his spirit's power ;
And heaven shall own thy mission.

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P R E F A C E .

THE attention, encouragement and support, which our little Annual has received from contributors, readers and patrons, have called for another volume, with improvements on the past. May it follow its predecessors wherever they have gone, and go where they have not been.

We fully appreciate the disinterested labors of our contributors, and here express our thanks for the assistance rendered. A glance at the names of these contributors, and the assurance we can give of their interest in the improvement of the youth growing up around us, we hope will inspire our young friends and the public with fresh confidence in the moral power of the little book.

At the time of the appearance of the Annual for 1848, the editor had supposed her earthly labors ended ; But it pleased the Father of mercies to delay the angel of death, and restore her again to her humble place with mortals, where she would consecrate her feeble powers anew in the cause of his holy truth. May his approving blessing rest on this effort !

M. H. A.

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OBERLIN.

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To the boys who are striving for self-improvement, the character of Oberlin will present a beautiful and wonderful example of the excellence to which young men and lads can attain, by a steady perseverance, and firm trust in their own power, attended by an humble reliance on the assistance of God in every good enterprise. You will learn, from his history, how by the former you may be enabled to overcome difficulties before which many falter and become discouraged, and how, by a practical belief in the goodness of God, you will be sustained and borne through trials which cannot be avoided. You will find in his life an example of purity, holiness, piety, faith, and love, not often presented to youth, worthy of your acceptance and imitation. All that is taught us by the actual life of a good man is as worthy of remembrance as his words: the latter we call his precepts, his theory; the former his example, his practice, and you all know that theory without practice cannot benefit you, that precept without example