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## P R E F A C E .

BUT a very few words are called for from me by way of preface. This book is a selection from my three volumes of Irish Lyrics, *Songs of Killarney*, *Irish Songs and Ballads*, and *Songs of Old Ireland* (fifty Irish Songs and Ballads arranged to old Irish Airs by Dr. Charles Villiers Stanford). The two earlier volumes are out of print, after running through several editions, and I am advised that there is an increasing demand for Irish Poetry, which justifies my venturing upon a reprint of those of my Lyrics which have found most favour in the Old and New Worlds.

I have been very kindly assisted in the selection by my father, the Bishop of Limerick, my uncle, the

Rev. Robert Perceval Graves, my cousin, Mr. Rolleston, and my friend Professor Dowden.

Space does not permit of my giving notes explanatory of my obligations to Celtic and early Anglo-Irish Ballad-writers in this little book. But I have been at the utmost pains to do so in my second and third volumes, which may be consulted by the curious.

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