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FROM THE PARTING BY GEORGE PREDERICK WATTS

SIR GALAHAD'S QUEST OF THE GRAIL

"My strength is as the strength of ten,
Because my heart is pure."

—TENNYSON, "Sir Galahad."

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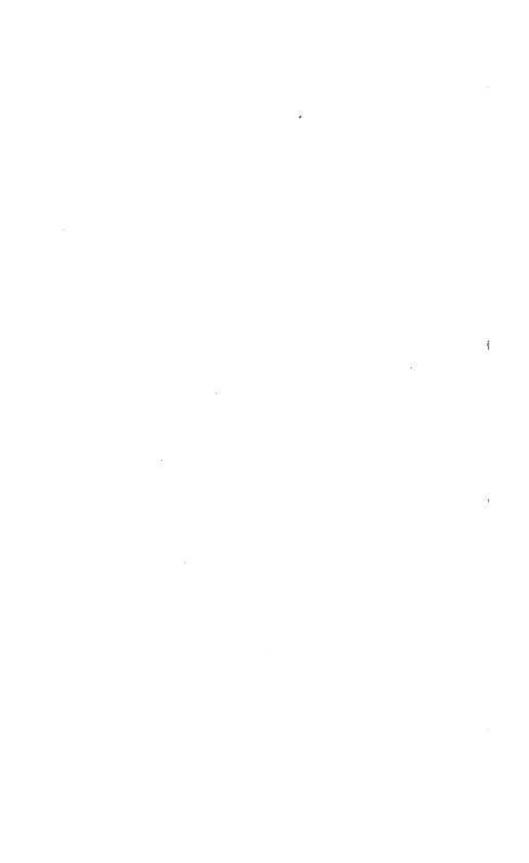
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## PREFACE

I INTEND the Holy Grail to be the binding theme that unites this sheaf of essays and addresses. The first bears that especial title, but the quest of the Grail is no less the real motive of the five other chapters in this book. For example, no men since the days of Galahad and Percivale have more atterly lost themselves in the knightly quest than those two Southern poets whose early death deprived the world of mystical rich music, but brought them their vision at last. The Crusaders were knights of the Grail. "Liberty and law" shows the present need of lance and spear, while the final chapter hints of a Golden Age to come. I pray that my

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little book may somehow hearten some of those who wander, and point them straightwise towards The Gleam. This is its single aim.

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