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To all those
who knew and loved Mark Twain
on the Happy Island,
this little book
is hopefully dedicated

#### A NOTE OF INTRODUCTION

THIS little story of "The Happy Island" has a place of its own in Mark Twain literature, in that it presents an idyllic picture of our philosopher-humorist in the serener days of his later life—a picture of which the author herself was a part.

Mark Twain always loved Bermuda, from the first day of his first visit, to that last day of his final visit, when he sailed away, with the shadows already gathering just ahead. Miss Wallace's story is a tender one, showing him still full of life and health, and of that gracious sympathy with childhood which was always one of his chief characteristics and added comfort to his later years.

The world will be the better and Mark Twain's memory the sweeter for these gentle chapters.

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