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> This little work is not designed to give *publicity* to the writings of their beloved author; though some of them, it is believed, are of a character to commend themselves to the attention, and excite the interest, of the general reader.

> \*It has been thought best to embody in the introduction, what, in a work intended for general circulation, might more properly form a preface.

#### INTRODUCTION.

Its special object is, to put into a convenient and durable form, for the purpose of distribution among her relatives, and more intimate friends, as an interesting and valuable memento of one for whom they entertained the highest regard and strongest affection, such of her compositions as are thought to possess sufficient merit to render their preservation desirable to them; together with a Biography, giving the leading events and circumstances of her life, and a brief description of her mental, moral, and religious character.

An additional motive, also, and one of no little influence in the determination to adopt this mode of preserving the writings of Mrs.

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Pease, and the accompanying biography, is, the strong desire that her son, whose winning smile, and loving kiss, had just commenced to delight the eye, and rejoice the heart, of his devoted mother, but whose infant lips had not yet learned to speak that endearing name, when death terminated her earthly existence, should know more of her character than he would be likely to in any other way; and the ardent hope, that such knowledge, and a just regard for her intense solicitude for his welfare, and a due appreciation of her many excellencies and virtues, may not only incite him to the diligent cultivation of his mental powers, but have a happy influence in restraining him from those evil courses, and the formation of 1\*