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PREFACE.

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Mr. John Mac Faden, a highly intelligent young farmer in Mayo, and Mr. James O'Sullivan, a native of the county Kerry, have greatly aided me in the translation of these ancient poems; to each of them I take this opportunity of tendering my warmest thanks for their kind assistance.

There are many in Ireland who could produce far better works on the poems of Oisin, and it is to be hoped that some of them will, ere long, give to the public good translations of the old and beautiful literature of their native land. I shall esteem it a great favour on the part of any one who will furnish me with corrections of this little volume, or with materials for additional notes, explanatory of the Fenian Heroes and their exploits; and shall gratefully acknowledge any contributions towards another work, should this be deemed worthy a successor.

J. H. S.

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