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With the Author's kind regards.

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"Three brothers left their father's house to seek their fortune. The first was here a moment ago, sagely decanting on his wild career, for he was indeed a mad-cap youth. The second is even now running out at the door to join his brother, whose society he strangely affects, and whose follies, in spite of warning, he perpetually copies. Of the third nothing is known, beyond a vague hope that he may improve on the experience of his predecessors. He has never been amongst us, though so near as to throw his shadow on the threshold; in fact, he is hourly expected to arrive, and may be here to-morrow; but if a message recall him home, he will never come at all!"—O. FARRA OWAN.

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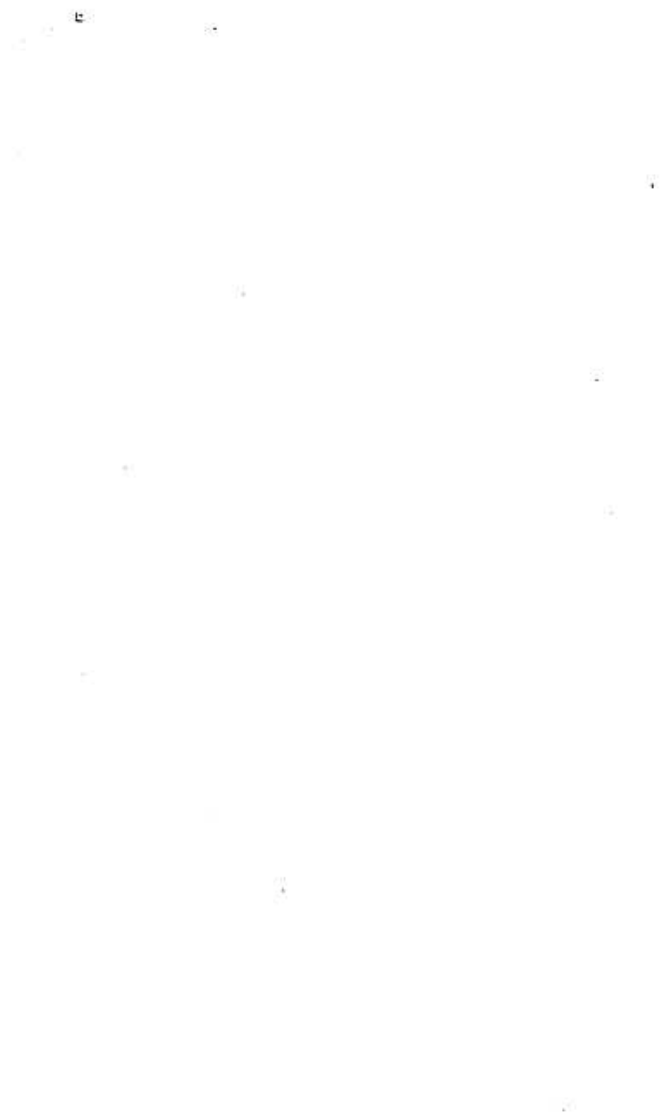
TO
THE REV. E. H. LORING,

VICAR OF COBHAM, SURREY,

FROM A CONTEMPLATION OF WHOSE UNCEASING DESIRE TO ENCOURAGE
ALL THAT IS NOBLE AND PURE, AMONG THOSE COMMITTED TO HIS SPIRITUAL
CARE, THE FOLLOWING PAGES ORIGINATED, THEY ARE NOW PROFFERED;
IN THE HOPE THAT THEY MAY ASSIST THE GREAT AND GOOD WORK, TO
WHICH HIS LIFE IS DEVOTED;

BY HIS SINCERE FRIEND,

THE AUTHOR.



INTRODUCTION.

THE subjects contained in the following pages were not intended for publication, having been written for the information and amusement of the inhabitants of a country village, and delivered as Lectures, in connection with its Reading Rooms. It having been thought, however, by some of those who heard them, that they contained facts and sentiments, which might prove interesting and instructive, to a larger public than that for which they were designed, the Author has been induced to have them printed. He hopes that the views enunciated, and which the subjects of the papers themselves are merely intended to illustrate, may diffuse that chivalrous feeling, and lofty tone of thought and action, which, though essential to form a generous and moral people, there is much chance of being lost sight of, in this vigorously intellectual, but, alas! selfish, and too keenly competitive age.

COBHAM, SURREY, *January*, 1863.

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