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BARRISTER-AT-LAW

*"Prosperity is the blessing of the Old Testament. Adversity is the promise of the New, which carrieth the great benediction, and the clearer revelation of God's favour; yet even in the Old Testament, if you listen to David's harp, you shall hear as many hearse-like *airs de couplets*: and the pencil of the Holy Ghost hath laboured more in describing the afflictions of Job than the felicities of Solomon."—LORD BACON.*



JAMES SPEIRS

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Dedication

TO MY WIFE

"Equal to either fortune," and long tried in both, to whom can I dedicate these papers on the "Cares of the World" with so much propriety as to her whose indomitable courage, and untiring industry, and large resources of every kind, have made an elegant home a pattern of liberal thrift; and a rough cottage in a cold and distant land the unmistakable residence of a Lady.

Incapable of the taint of vulgarity whatever the "res angusta domi," your refined intelligence and nice conservative mastery of the purities of our native tongue, both in form and accent, have been of the greatest value to my pen; while your unaffected piety has shed a constant light upon my path, and kept alive in me that blessed Hope from heaven which links Faith and Charity together.

May that rare form, which has been for so many years the admirable embodiment of so good and copious a mind, be with me always!

J. W. H.

BRIGHTON-LE-SANDS, LIVERPOOL,

April 16, 1876.

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