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PREFACE.

THE thoughtful, if not the solitary, are a numerous class. There are few that possess not their own share of living anxieties, and solemn memories, and the aim of books is, generally, to draw the attention away from these. But in the sanctuary of home many relics are enshrined that we rarely feel a wish to put aside; over it many shadows darken, beneath which we love to linger, dreaming over again all that in the past appears so like a dream, and growing daily more clear in our perceptions of the things that are, and were, and are to be—the perishing, the perished, and the imperishable. If the shadow of human events, doubtless misnamed evils, be found broadly cast over the following pages, the author trusts that a sufficient glimmering of the true light will be also found to radiate and redeem their earthliness. Most of the poems have appeared in the MONTHLY CHRONICLE; the METROPOLITAN and TAIT'S MAGAZINES; the LITERARY GAZETTE; and the PEOPLE'S JOURNAL; and many of them have been re-printed in America.

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