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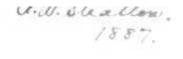
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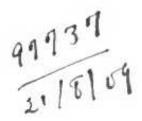
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PREFACE.

THE text followed in this translation of Theocritus is that of Wordsworth (Cambridge, 1872). Where a conjecture has been adopted, from Wordsworth or Fritzsche, I have usually mentioned the reading in a foot-note.

Bion and Moschus are translated from Ziegler's text.

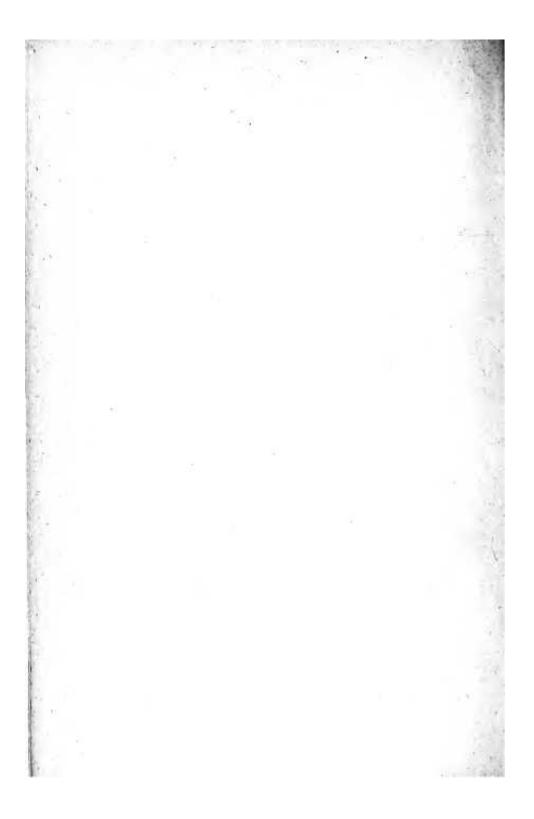
I have not thought it necessary, for various reasons, to translate the very corrupt idyl discovered by Ziegler in 1862, and emended by the ingenuity of Fritzsche. Some slight liberties have been taken with passages which are offensive to Western morality.

I wish to acknowledge here the kindness of Mr. J. A. Godley, Fellow of Hertford College, and of Mr. Ernest Myers, Fellow of Wadham College, who have helped me with the correction of the proofsheets. Without their friendly aid, it would scarcely have been possible for me to have seen the translation through the press, owing to circumstances which prevented me from revising the work with the necessary attention. The Essay on Theocritus, for the same reason, is less complete than I had hoped to make it.

A. LANG.

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