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*We rise and journey onward,  
Through valleys green and old,  
Where the far white Alps announce the morn  
And keep the sunset's gold.*

—BAYARD TAYLOR.

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TO

GEORGE GARY BUSH.

To-night, O friend, I greet the stars again  
Whose kindly light o'er us so long ago  
Kept patient watch above the hills of snow,  
Till flush of morning bade their glory wane!—  
The self-same stars!—and now my feet would fain  
Re-climb the Pass,as, on that storm-shut day,  
When night and tempest barred the mountain way—  
Save when the cloud-flash lit the spears of rain—  
To see once more above the Alpine range  
How fair they burned, the storm's wild fury spent,  
Flooding the white hills with a beauty strange—  
The ghostly pillars of the firmament!—  
And with what rapture, their sweet gage withdrawn,  
Mont Blanc's white glory took the kiss of Dawn!

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## PREFATORY.

THE following pages are the record of a three weeks' tour in Switzerland. The journey was made on foot because we had more time than money at our disposal. So well pleased were we with the mode of travel that were we to repeat our experience we should choose again the knapsack and staff.

To all prospective travellers in Switzerland who wish to enjoy its scenery at their leisure, as well as to get the greatest possible enjoyment out of their journey at the least expense, we commend the pedestrian tour.