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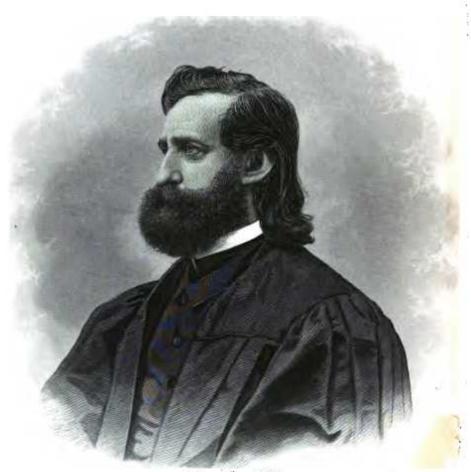
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ALBERT ANKENY, AND FREDERICK BASSETT,

My Chilbren,

WHO, IN ALL MY PROPESSIONAL LABORS, HAVE GIVEN ME THEIR SYMPATHY AND ENCOURAGEMENT, AND AT WHOSE EARNEST REQUEST

These Poems,

BORN OF THE HEART AT THE RESTING PLACES OF MY PAROCHIAL DUTIES, HAVE BEEN ARRANGED AND PUBLISHED,

Chis Bolume

IS AFFECTIONATELY INSCRIBED.

Sed me Parnassi deserta per ardua dulcis Raptat amov: juvat ire jugis, quà nulla priorum Castaliam molli divertitur orbita clivo.

GEORGICA: Liber III.

WANDERINGS ON PARNASSUS.

OUT AT SEA.

Mare quidem commune certo est omnibus. — PLAUTUS.

The morn was calm and bright:

The ship was moored along the crowded pier;

Then, 'neath a flood of light,

She grandly drew away with hearty cheer.

The parting words were spoke;
The summer rays came in a golden flow;
The heart in tears soon broke,
And kerchiefs filled the air like sudden snow.

She bore a precious load;

And every life was a romantic tale

From love's unvoiced abode,

And drooped with sadness 'neath the spreading sail.

The port was lined with masts

Which oft had struggled with the raging storm,

Where Ocean always casts

A look that startles from his heaving form.

The great ship moved with pride
Upon the restless waves of liquid gold,
And passed along the side
Of anchored vessels with their queenly mould.

Her flag was on the breeze;
Her sails were full, her spirit bright and free;
And on she tripped with ease
To meet the greeting of the potent sea.

He caught her in his arms,
And, smiling, drew her to his gallant breast;
Then, freed from all alarms,
He sent her riding on the foamy crest.

The world of waters swept

With grandeur, strength, and wonderment, away

To where the sky low crept,

And billows rushed and reared like steeds at play.