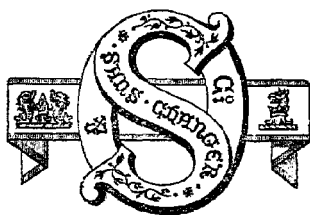






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## PREFACE.

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 FEEL that I owe the public some apology for venturing to intrude on their notice a book which must bear marks, evident to every reader, of hurried and careless composition.

Thus conscious of my audacity, I humbly confess that when I started on my travels I had formed no intention of ever recounting them; my notes and memoranda were therefore of the meagrest, although fortunately my sketch-book was pretty well filled.

A letter from my publishers, received some six weeks after my return, first suggested to me the idea that possibly an account of my wanderings might not be uninteresting even to the general reader. Upon this hint I commenced to write, and in three short months from the receipt of my