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PREFACE.

THERE has long been great need of a simple and introductory work on such subjects as, for example, Etymology, Textual Criticism, Analysis, the Indo-European Language, the Greek Dialects, and the leading Scholars of the past : the need has been felt by Tutors and Lecturers at the Universities, by Masters at Schools, and by students and learners generally ; and this little work of mine is an attempt to satisfy it.

1. I have tried *to cover a very wide ground*, and so I hope that my method will have the advantage of ensuring variety.

2. The Chapters on each subject are *short and especially adapted for Beginners*—most learners of Philology *are* beginners ; the work pre-supposes very little knowledge beyond that of the ordinary declensions and conjugations and vocabulary, in Greek and Latin and English. Wherever it has been possible, I have avoided Sanskrit and other unfamiliar languages.

3. These pages are intended *only as an Introduction*, but it is sincerely hoped that they will so interest the reader that afterwards he will study and appreciate the more advanced works by Giles, King and Cookson, Lindsay, Victor Henry, and others.