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PREFACE.

Last Easter, when the volume of "Vacation Tourists in 1860" was published, I mentioned in its preface that it would probably be followed by others in future years, and that the work would grow into a periodical publication, if the favour, with which the earlier volumes were received, permitted such a result.

Hitherto that favour has been amply bestowed. The principle upon which "Vacation Tourists" was designed, and, I may add, the character of the articles it contained, drew forth an almost unanimous verdict of approval, while the good opinion of the critics was practically endorsed by the book-buying public.

I now feel no doubt whatever, that the want had a real existence, which this publication was intended to satisfy — namely, means of collecting, in substantial volumes, a selection of tours and travels which, while containing too little incident to admit of expansion into independent books, were in other respects well worthy of publication.

Maps to illustrate the Routes of the several travellers have been given to every paper in the present volume,
excepting Mr. Grove's, which, from its nature, did not require this kind of illustration. It is hoped that this will enhance the interest and value of this year's publication.

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