

PREFACE.

THE within adventures are drawn from real life, and the scenes and incidents described are pictured from the memories of its hero. We do not expect the reader will find our story perfect, but we hope it will prove interesting. If this result be obtained, our full desire will be gratified.

With its facts and adventures, the CAREER OF THE STOLEN BOY is respectfully offered to the reading world by its authors,

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