

## PREFACE.

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THE First Edition, of a thousand copies, of "The Student's Guide to English Grammar," was published by request several years ago; and was the result of lectures delivered before Mechanics' Institutes, and other public assemblages, on the other side of the Atlantic. It was dedicated by express permission to the late Rev. Dr. SADDLER, M.R.I.A., for many years Provost of Trinity College, Dublin, and one of the Commissioners of "National Education" in Ireland.

Nearly six hundred subscribers have induced the author to publish the present edition. The following extract, from the preface to the *first*, will give some idea of the nature of the work :

"The study of Grammar has justly been considered an object of the greatest importance by learned men in every age, but, like other sciences, it has been enveloped in mystery, and perplexed with needless difficulties. Every art, or science, is more or less involved in ob-