

PREFACE

With one exception, the essays in this volume of LITERARY ONOMASTICS STUDIES are revised versions of papers given at the Conference on Literary Onomastics held in early June at Brockport, New York at the State University of New York College at Brockport. The single exception is Grace Alvarez-Altman's contribution, the last essay in the volume, which was written specifically for this issue to honor Professor Walter P. Bowman of the Department of English at Brockport. It was largely through the influence of Professor Bowman that the Conference and LITERARY ONOMASTICS STUDIES took shape, and the Department of English asked that this volume be dedicated to him when it learned that he would retire in June, 1978.

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