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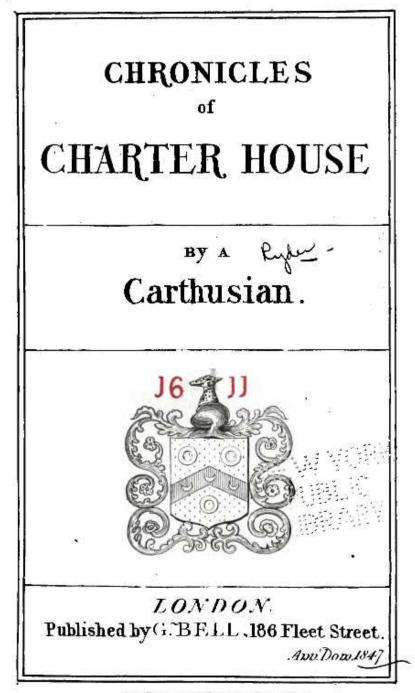
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BY THEIR LATE PELLOW-STUDENT,

THE AUTHOR.

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PREFACE.

ALOOF from the mercantile and fashionable world, on the "thirteen acres and one rod of land" which Sir Walter de Manny devoted to the pious purpose of interring the bodies of the dead, stands the Hospital of King James, the bountiful work of one individual, the evermemorable THOMAS SUTTON.

For a time has this spot, endeared to the recollection of so many, been without a Chronicler, to point out its eventful history to those who are now sharing the benefits of its protection, or to awaken in the breasts of those who have gone forth from its walls, the kindly feelings with which all are apt to contemplate the place where their early years have been spent.

It is true, that able and worthy Antiquaries, in times when archæological pursuits were but rarely followed, inquired into its institution: on their anterior Histories, more especially those of Bearcroft and Herne, this attempt is principally grounded. The Author has, however, laboured diligently to collect whatever could contribute to illustrate the subject, and has been enabled to glean much additional information; still there lies open a wide field of inquiry, which, for his own satisfaction, if not for that of the public, he hopes ere long to explore..

Other authorities to which the Author is indebted, are -- Dugdale's "Monasticon" and "History of St. Paul's,"

PREFACE.

Stow's "Survey of London," Pennant's "London," Camden's "Britannia," Weever's "Funeral Monuments," Smythe's "Historical Account of Charter-House," "Passio Octodecimo Cartusianorum," Newcourt's "Repertorium," Baker's "Biographica Dramatica," Roper's "Life of Sir Thomas More," Strype's "Annals," "Diurnale Cartusiense," Correspondence in the Library of Trinity College, Cambridge.

The author has to return his sincere acknowledgments to the Master and Officers of Charter-House, for facilitating his researches there; to the Reverend William Whewell, Master of Trinity College, Cambridge, for the assistance he obligingly afforded him in the inspection of the manuscripts in the Library of Trinity College; and to Sir Francis Palgrave, K.H., for the courtesy with which he kindly aided his inquiries.

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The Author would fain hope to disarm the minute criticism of the experienced historian, when he states that he has himself but recently left the walls whose history he thus imperfectly attempts to illustrate.

W. J. D. R.

January 1847.

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