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PAGAN SEPULCHRAL TUMULUS SURMOUNTED BY A CHRISTIAN ORATORY
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(After an original drawing by Dr. Borlase.)

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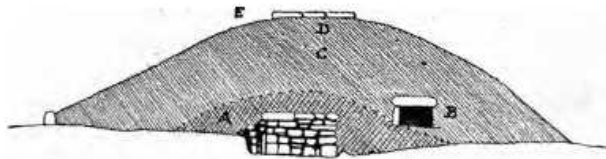
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INTRODUCTION

DESCRIPTIVE OF THE FRONTISPIECE, WITH NOTES ON
CORNISH ETHNOLOGY, ETC.



SECTION OF THE MOUND AT CHAPEL GARN BREA (SCALE $\frac{1}{4}$ INCH TO 1
FOOT), FROM 'ARCHÆOLOGIA,' VOL. XLIX. P. 196

A, original tumulus, with 'Giant's Grave'; B, dolmen built on the original tumulus and covered by cairn; C, Romano-British stratum; D, Anglo-Saxon stratum; E, foundations of Christian edifice.

THE frontispiece of this work, so pleasingly executed by Mr. MCFADDEN, after an original drawing¹ made by Dr. WILLIAM BORLASE, the Cornish historian and the Author's great-great-grandfather, in the middle of the last century, represents a monument second to none in the county of Cornwall for the interest it possesses for the archæologist.

It occupies a central position on the apex of the last hill in England, is a mark well known to mariners, and on nearer approach is seen to consist of a rough, bare pile of stones, rising over the granite outcrop which flanks the hill and the scanty heather which

¹ For an exact facsimile of this see *Archæologia*, vol. xlix. There is also a wretchedly bad copy of it in Buller's *Account of St. Just*.