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For the son too young to remember her,
have been gathered these fragments of his
mother's work, broken by death.

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INTRODUCTION.

I.

T is with unspeakable tenderness and pain that I attempt to gather up the broken threads of this unfinished web, but I appreciate that personal feeling would be out of place here, and that what I say must be confined to the subject of this volume.

The first paper in the brief collection, "Old Salem Shops," was written for the Contributors' Club of the "Atlantic Monthly," a fact which accounts for its brevity. The editor gave it a place in the body of the magazine, and its reception was sufficiently kind to encourage the writing of other papers in the same vein. It was the writer's intention to publish a series of