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## PREFACE

It is the purpose of this book to present a sketch of Alcuin in his relations to education, with prefatory and supplementary matter sufficient to indicate his antecedents and also his connections with later times. The account given is based mainly on a study of Alcuin's writings, and attempts, so far as possible, to let Alcuin speak for himself, rather than to theorize about him. Such books about Alcuin and his pupils as have been found serviceable have also been freely consulted. In submission to the present custom of historical writers, and the authority of Shakspeare, I use the name Charles the Great in place of Charlemagne.

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