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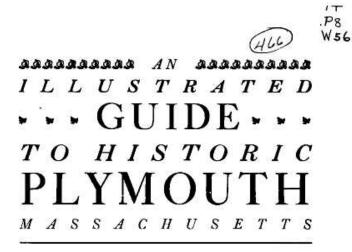
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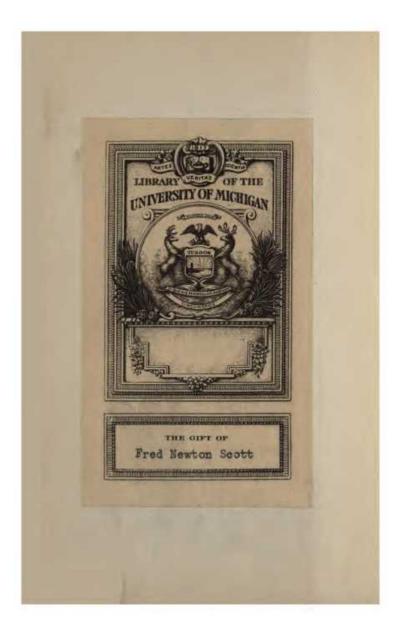
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"Here are places and objects so intimately associated with the world's greatest men or with mighty deeds, that the soul of him who gazes upon them is lost in a sense of reverent awe, as it listens to the voice that speaks from the past."

Governor Roger Wolcott

PLYMOUTH is one of those magical names which so call to mind events or periods in American history, that the places themselves constitute patriotic shrines. Independence Hall, Valley Forge, Mt. Vernon, Lexington and Yorktown are all names, the mere mention of which recalls happenings that render the places themselves historic ground. Among these, Plymouth may justly lay claim to a rank which is particularly its own.

New England, as a whole, might seem to be a more appreciative guardian of historic shrines and fanes than certain other sections of the country; there has been less of the destruction of historic landmarks in the cities of Massachusetts, perhaps, than in most of what were the 13 original



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colonies. Much has perished, of course, but much yet remains, to be treasured more carefully and guarded more zealously by each succeeding generation.

Old Homes of the Pilgrims Of the original buildings erected by the Pilgrims very little remains after the lapse of three centuries. The

Pilgrims themselves, accustomed to homes of at least a fair degree of comfort, probably intended that their first rude and primitive huts of logs should give way, as soon as circumstances made it possible, to homes of a more permanent nature. Pilgrim homes still exist, however, in the Crowe house (built 1664) and the Howland house (1666), and both houses were built and lived in by members of the original Mayflower colony. Other homes of the same period, or only very slightly later, are the Kendall Holmes house on Winter



The Crowe House The oldest house in North Plymouth Built in 1664

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