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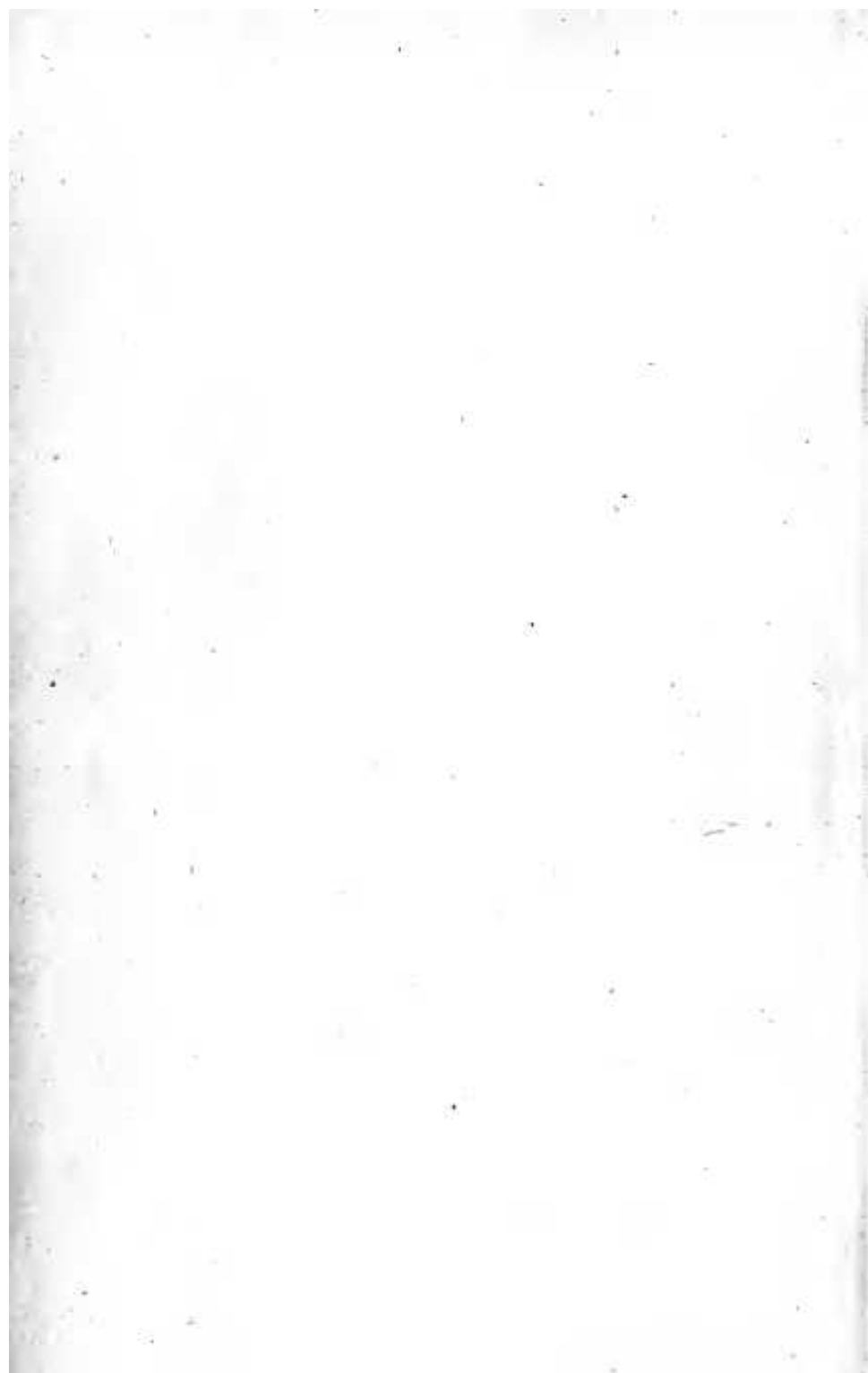
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CHAPTER I.

PAULERSPURY is the name of a village lying on the south side of the old Roman road known as Watling Street, three miles or thereby from the market-town of Towcester, county of Northampton. It is the Pavelis Pery of Camden, and derives its name from the Paveleys (or Peverels), its ancient lords. The neighbourhood, without being picturesque, is pleasing, and occasionally the wayfarer comes upon "bits" of unpretending beauty.

A hundred years ago, Whittlebury Forest, which is no distance off, was open, and its fine trees, though few compared with what they had been, still formed a striking feature in the landscape. Thomas Fuller records¹ that in his time the county—of which he was a native—was "as fruitful and populous as any in England, insomuch that sixteen several towns with their churches have at one view been discovered by my eyes, which I confess none of the best." "Sure I am," he

¹ "The History of the Worthies of England, endeavoured by Thomas Fuller, D.D."