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## PREFACE.

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THE following papers were originally printed in the *ESSEX HERALD*, and most of them in the *CHELMSFORD CHRONICLE*, two Journals of considerable repute in this county. They have therefore had already a circulation far beyond the locality which supplied the matter: but their chief interest must naturally be felt, and be best appreciated, in the Town where they were written, and in its immediate vicinity. The approval of some whom the writer very highly regards, has been the leading inducement to their being printed in a separate form; and he indulges a hope that, till some work better suited to the purpose of a local guide shall be published, this may be regarded, in a stranger's hand, in the light of a humble substitute. His earnest desire is that the "SKETCHES" may continue to interest, not only his intelligent fellow-townsmen, but those also who may visit the place, and find pleasure in contemplating the scenery which he has observed, with affectionate regard, from some of his earliest years.

The Illustrations by a native artist, it is hoped, may be some recommendation to a work of this description: and while the writer congratulates himself that his papers are accompanied by such proofs of the correctness of his own views, he trusts that others will be induced to stop and admire, where his own delineations give but an imperfect character of the objects he has attempted to sketch.

*Saffron Walden,*

*May 1st, 1845.*



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