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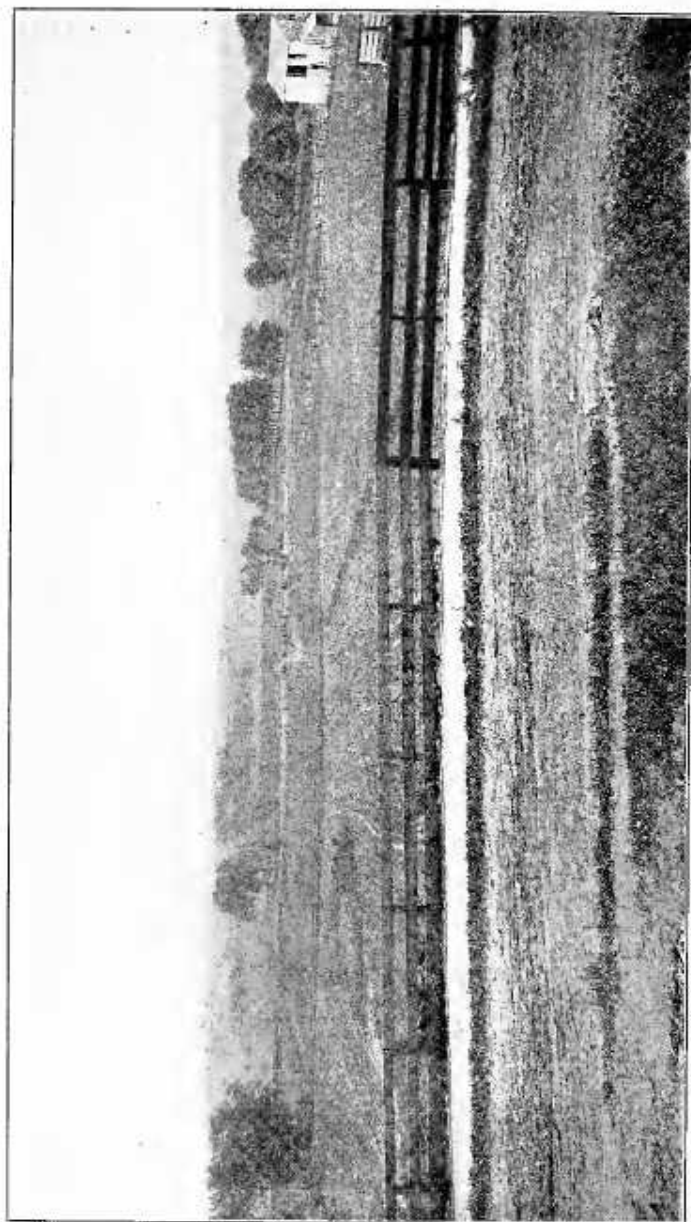
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PREFACE

SOME time ago an elderly gentleman of near my own age and a stranger in the town, called upon me in search of information regarding some of the old landmarks of Plymouth which he remembered, but had not seen since his young boyhood. I have also heard of other old people, who, in response to that inherent longing, or natural instinct which impels a return to the paternal nest, having visited the town to view the scenes of their youth, and revive the precious memories of their happy childhood.

There are doubtless many others who are imbued with the same natural human desire; and in a measure to gratify such, it was suggested to me, that perhaps I, as one of the few remaining relics of a past age was properly qualified and therefore in duty bound, so far as possible, to rescue from oblivion and perpetuate the old memories, by placing on record enduring evidence of bygone scenes and incidents. In the contemplation of that task, in the efforts in tracing up obliterated, or fast disappearing landmarks, I have been somewhat surprised to discover but comparatively few persons remaining here whose knowledge regarding the past was in that respect much, if any better or more reliable than my own.

That circumstance, while strangely enough arousing a suspicion in my mind that I too must be getting old and fossilized, also tended to add force to the suggestion that perhaps a duty was devolving upon me to undertake a task which in the course of nature, "if it were done, when 'tis done, then 'twere well it were done quickly."

The describing and recounting of old scenes and incidents as they have been recalled by my researches has been to me a labor of love, and I submit the results of my efforts in endeavoring to comply with the injunction, "rejoice and do good," in the hope that by reviving memories of long forgotten scenes may assist perhaps some despondent natives to live again in memory the happy days of their youth.

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PLYMOUTH, PA.,

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