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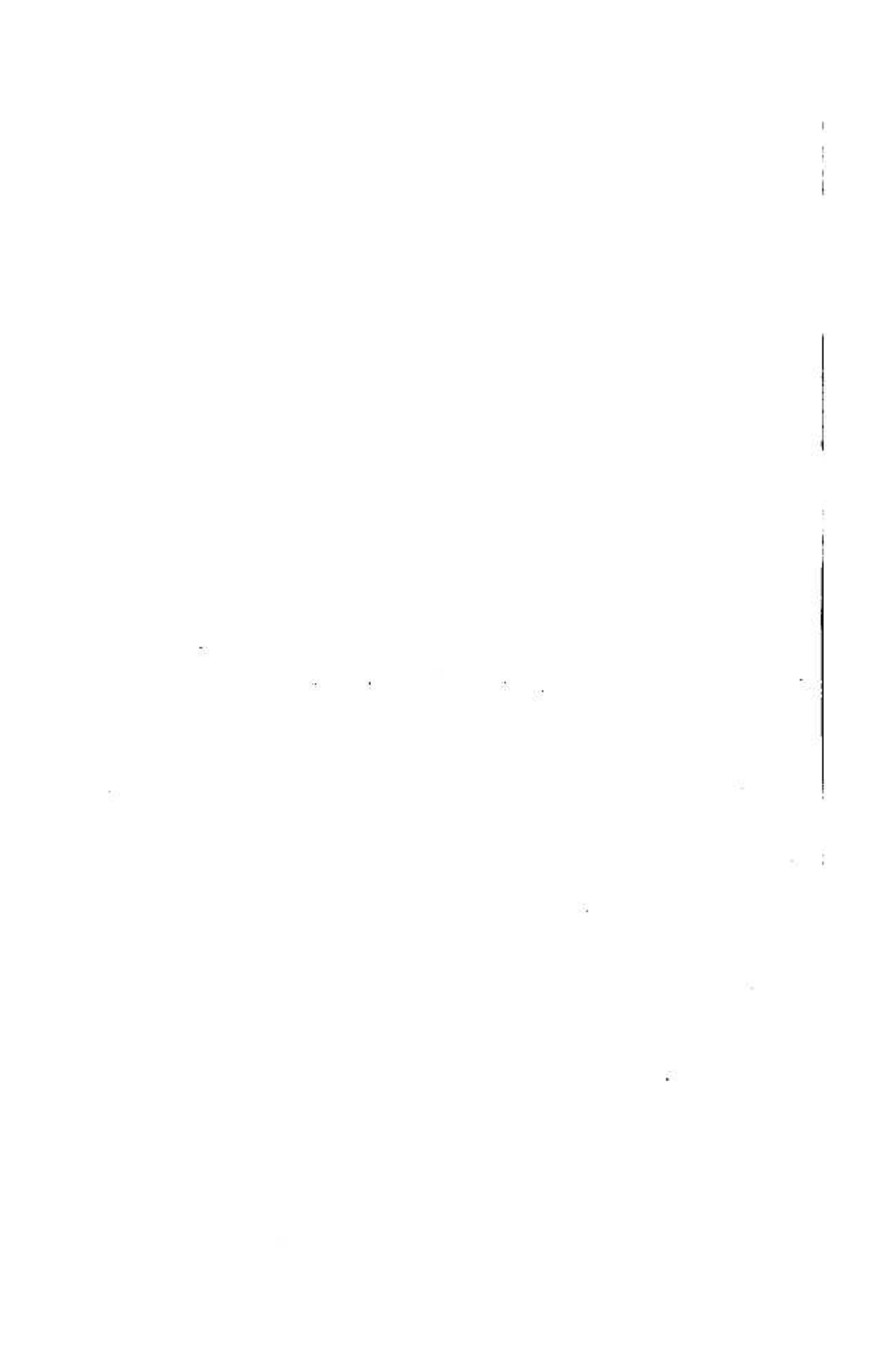
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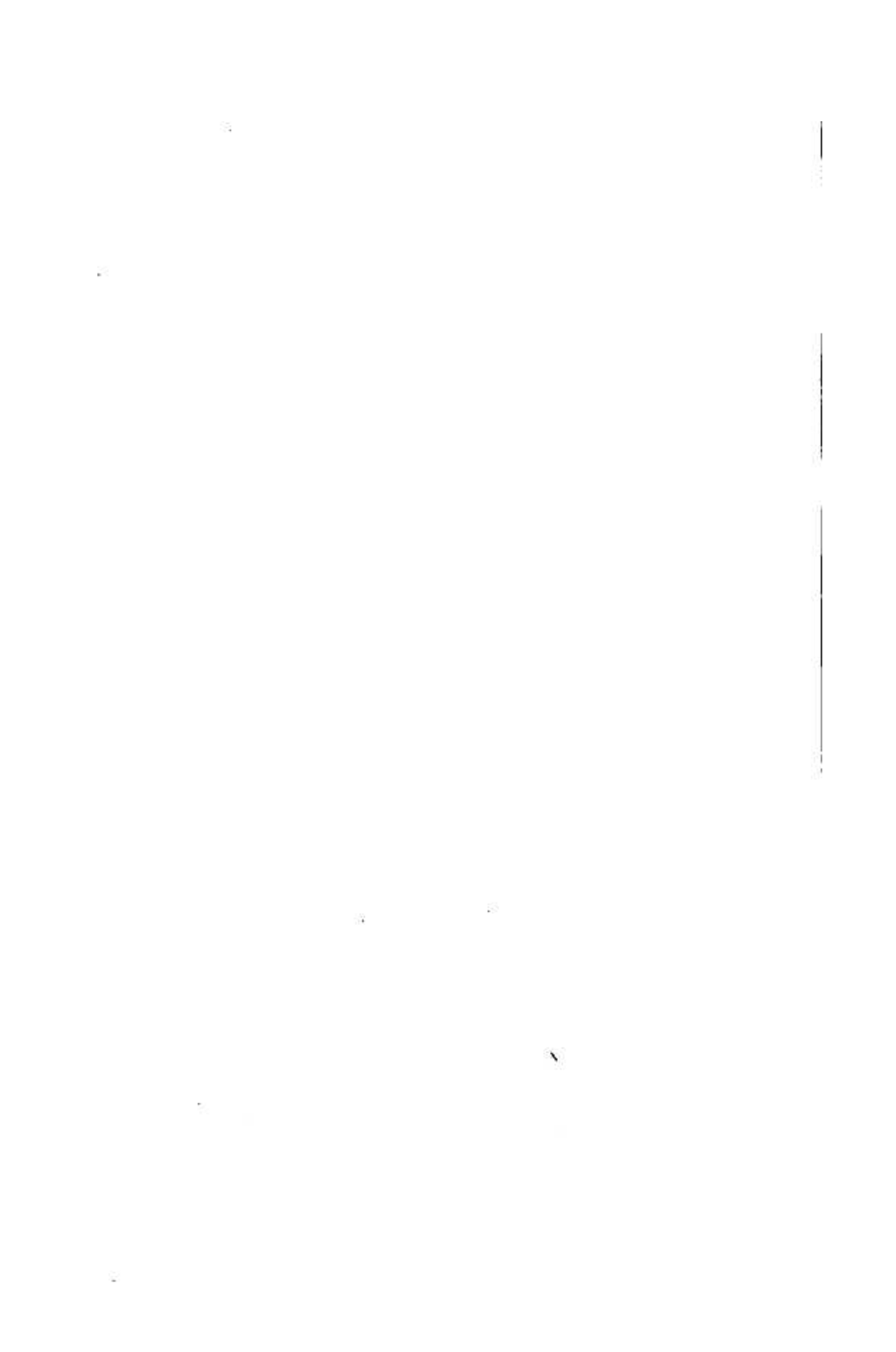
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## PREFACE

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THIS little book owes its comparatively early appearance entirely to the energy and diligence of my wife. When unexpectedly called from the Kew Herbarium to the charge of the Botanical and Afforestation Department at Hongkong, the three or four years during which I had devoted my spare time to the study of alien plants had only resulted in the accumulation of a very large number of crude notes. Fortunately for my purpose, these were nearly complete before leaving England, and my intention was to arrange them, and publish the result at an early date. Two unforeseen circumstances, however, appeared to doom my hopes to disappointment—one was the pressure of Departmental work, the other the scarcity of books of reference in the Colony. My wife, fearing that the labour expended in the compilation of the notes would be entirely wasted, has persuaded me to dictate to her a brief summary of my conclusions upon the status and origin of each species, with the result shown in the following pages. I hope that the work may prove of some value to students of English Botany, if only it draws their attention more prominently than heretofore to the question of exact habitat, and I would ask the

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indulgent reader to remember that the final stages of the book have been gone through without the possibility of referring to the standard works on the geographical botany of Europe, or even, with a few exceptions, to local English Floras.

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