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TO THE  
HONORABLE MARCUS MORTON,  
WHO CONTINUES ON THE MASSACHUSETTS BENCH AN ILLUSTRIOUS NAME,  
AND IS A WORTHY LINEAL DESCENDANT OF THE GOOD MAN  
WHO WAS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS

**"Relation,"**

AS ITS SPONSOR TO THE BRITISH PUBLIC, NEAR TWO CENTURIES AND A HALF  
AGO, THIS FIRST LITERAL REPRINT OF A DEEPLY INTERESTING  
AND VALUABLE TRACT

*Is Dedicated with affectionate Regard,*

BY HIS FRIEND AND KINSMAN,  
THE EDITOR.









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J. K. W.

Boston, 15 July, 1865.



INTRODUCTION.

