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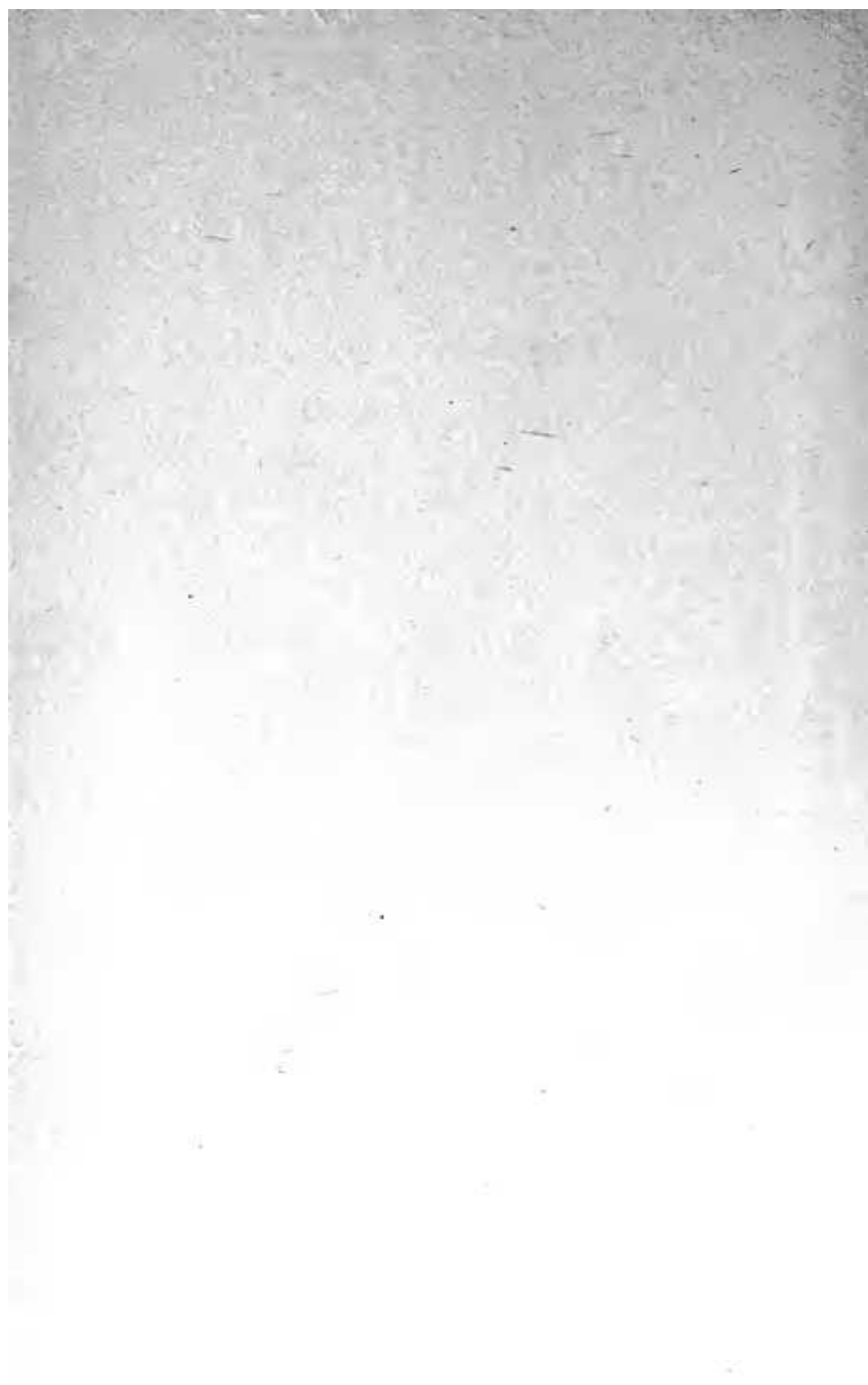
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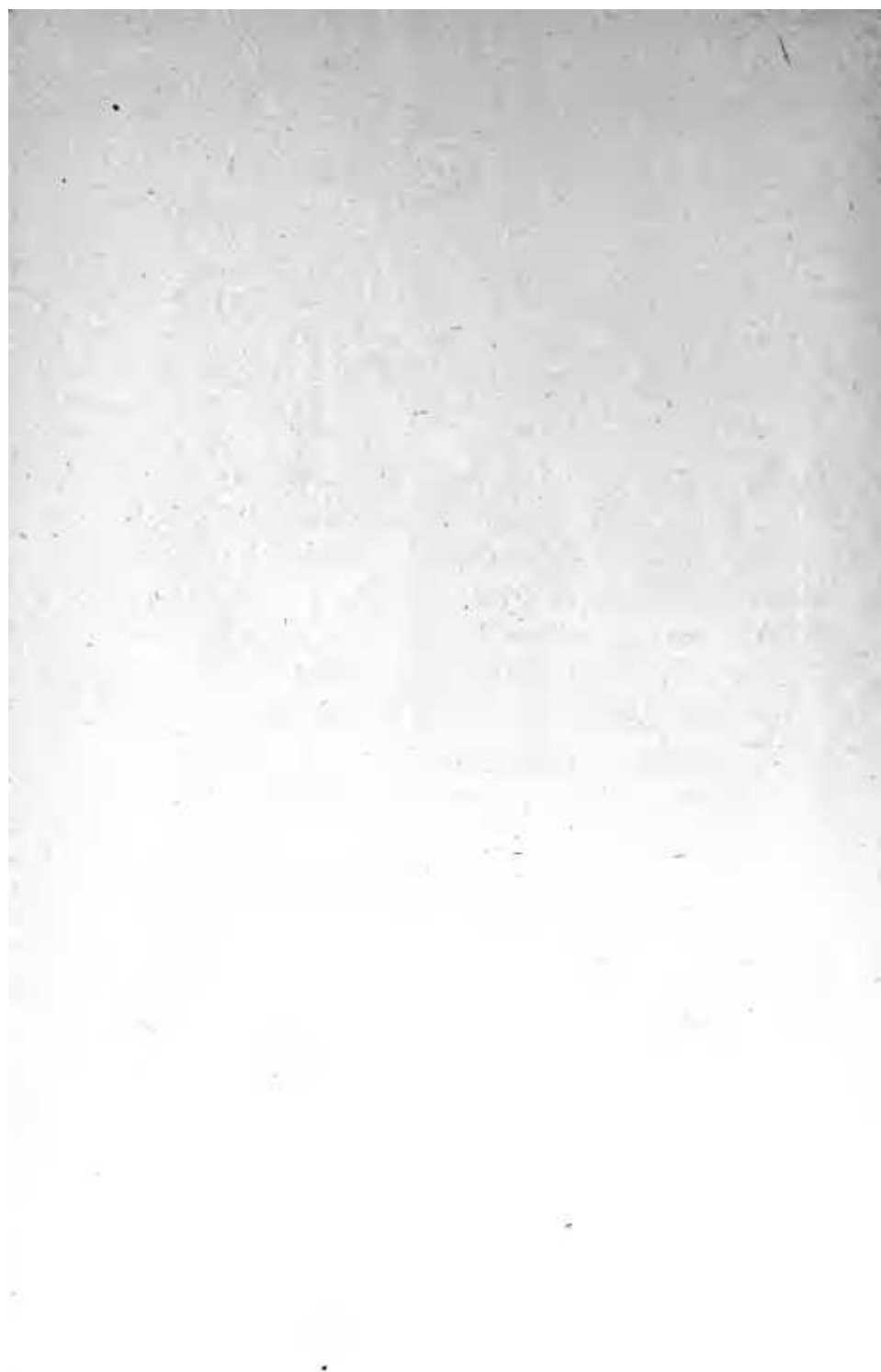
THERE is no occasion for a lengthy preface to this book ; the subject is well known to all biographers and writers of family and national histories dealing with the late sixteenth and early seventeenth centuries, while he is, on the contrary, practically quite unknown to the very large majority not included in this category.

It has therefore been deemed worth while, since it had not previously been attempted, to write this account of Chamberlain and his times, as deduced from his letters.

It can scarcely claim to be a biography, but his character is pretty clearly outlined in silhouette, as it were, against the background of his friendships, his anxieties and confidences, his uniformly just and intelligent comment upon current events.

And thus I commend him to your kind consideration.

E. P. S.



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