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MY HONORED FRIEND
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C.M.G., LL.D., F.R.S., F.G.S., ETC.

IN GRATEFUL RECOGNITION OF WISE COUNSEL AND KINDLY
ENCOURAGEMENT IN MY STUDENT DAYS,

WITH MUCH RESPECT AND ESTEEM, THIS VOLUME IS

Dedicated.

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PREFACE.

The object of this work is suggestive, rather than intended to uphold a theory. While the subject may not be of equal interest to all, from a purely historical or scientific point of view, an element of romance may tend to popularize it, and induce a wider study.

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While this work was going through the press, the death occurred of Sir William Dawson, to whom it is dedicated. A great and good man, he has passed away full of years and honors, leaving the record of a noble life's work well done.

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