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Forry years ago, the learned and accomplished Author of the following pages accepted, with singular indulgence, the suggestions of a young person, who was then his "Anonymous Correspondent;" who subsequently, on an introduction to him personally, was received with a courtesy which he cannot forget; and who now, after the lapse of so long a time, has survived to add a few remarks to the present edition; such as had become necessary to modern readers in consequence of the altered state of his native town.

JOHN BULLAR.

August 11th, 1841.

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TO THE READER.

Ir was at first intended, in the following pages, merely to give an account of several curious remains of antiquity existing in the Town of Southampton, and which had either been totally unnoticed, or very slightly mentioned, in the descriptions of that place hitherto published; and the title of A Walk was chosen as expressive of what was intended to be done in the work. In compliance with the wishes of some who saw the manuscript, and to whose observations and communications no small portion of whatever merit it may possess, is due,-I have stepped beyond the strict limits of description, and have ventured to enter a little into the wide and doubtful field of antiquarian research: but I still hope that my readers will bear in mind the title of the book, and not for a moment suppose that I aspire at the dignity of a historian of the place; a task for which neither my researches nor abilities have by any means qualified me. The praise of accuracy is all to which I lay any claim, and I shall be very happy, if what is here given to the public excites some person better qualified for the task, to extract from the records of the town, and those of the bishopric, the curious and copious information which they certainly contain.

To the Mayor and Corporation of the Town my best thanks are due, for the liberal manner in which they permitted me to inspect their regalia

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and archives; and I should do violence to my own feelings, if I passed unnoticed the assistance which I have received from an anonymous correspondent, whose singular modesty has not, perhaps, totally concealed him from my knowledge, and to whose accurate pen the investigators of the beautiful environs of the town of Southampton are, I suspect, already obliged for one of the best digested, and most instructive, of those useful tracts, commonly known under the name of Guides.*

H. C. ENGLEFIELD.

Dec. 1st, 1801.

^{*} The book thus alluded to, bore the title of "A Companion in a Tour round Southampton:" it is now out of print.

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