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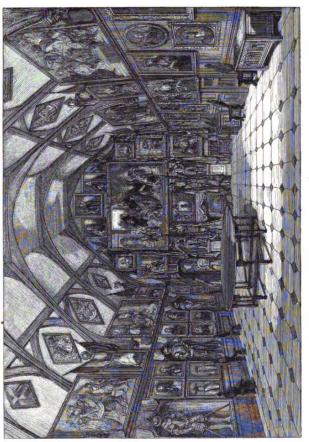
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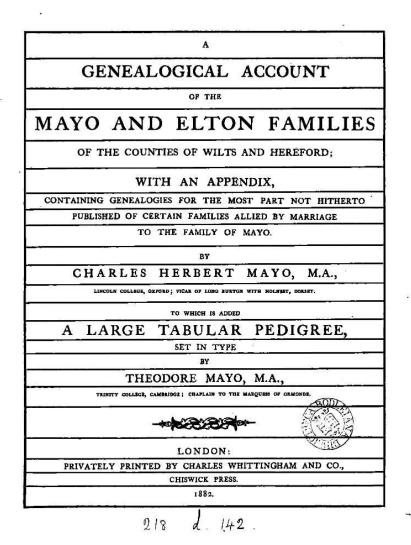
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PREFACE.



attention was first drawn to the history of my own family at an The Oc interview with the Rev. Edward Hawkins, D.D., the Venerable writing Provost of Oricl College in Oxford, on 28th February, 1863, this Boe He asked me on that occasion what relationship I bore to Thomas Mayo, M.D., who, like his father, John Mayo, M.D., had been a Fellow of that House. I was unable at the time to give more

than the vague reply that a relationship exitted, though I could not flate the precise degree, but I then refolved to put myself in a position to answer in time to come any questions of a similar character which might arife. I found ready to my hand a quantity of valuable material for a genealogy, which had been collected fome years before by my mother, whole thoughts had been turned in that direction by inquiries from perfons of the family name in the United States. Into her labours I then entered, and by flow degrees, and by employing intervals of leifure which from time to time occurred, I have collected the further material, of which, together with that previously at my command, the prefent memoirs are composed.

The plan I have here adopted has been to point out in an introductory chapter with the families of the name of Mayo which I have met with in my inquiries, as a guide to others who may follow me in the fame field of genealogical refearch, prefaced by fome remarks upon the name and arms, and then to give an account of the Elton family of Hazle in the parish of Ledbury, Herefordfhire, from which four branches of my own family are defeended, and thus claim kindred with John Elton alias Baker, Canon of Sarum, the founder of the Elton Fellowship at Brafenofe College in Oxford. In the fucceeding chapters I have given, in the form of a narrative, the hiftory of my own family, concluding with fhort notices of fome other families allied to it by marriage, the pedigrees of which, for the most part, have not been published hitherto. The folding pedigree exhibits the Elton and Mayo families in a convenient form for reference, and traces a defcent from Charles the Great. Anderfon's "Royal the Genealogies," Dugdale's "Baronage," Harl, MSS. 1396 and 1392 ("Visitation of Acaberia content Shropfhire"), Vincent MSS, Royal College of Arms, Meyrick's "Heraldic Visita-