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MISS HAWKINS

IN THE MODERN HISTORY OF YOUR FATHER'S COLLEGE  
HARDLY ANY FIGURE OCCUPIES A LARGER SPACE OR  
STANDS OUT IN STRONGER RELIEF THAN THAT OF  
YOUR FATHER HIMSELF. FRESH FROM THE SPELL  
OF HIS POWERFUL PRESENCE, I GLADLY TAKE THE  
OPPORTUNITY WHICH YOUR KINDNESS AFFORDS ME  
OF INSCRIBING THIS LITTLE BOOK WITH YOUR NAME.

## P R E F A C E

THIS sketch has been prepared with constant reference to the *origines* of the college history, which include, besides the manuscript archives stored in the muniment-room, the various statutes and ordinances of the college, the "Deans' Register," which furnishes the authentic record, only too incomplete, of the proceedings of the college from the beginning of the sixteenth century, the series of Treasurers' books known as "The Style," and others. I have not ventured to carry on the history beyond the death of the late Provost, except in Chapter X., which, consisting of little more than lists, it has seemed desirable to bring as nearly as possible up to date. In a sketch of these dimensions it has been essential to pursue a principle of very careful selection. It may well be that the inevitable process has not always been wisely performed, and that some readers may miss what they had a good right to expect to find. If so, I can but plead the difficulties of the task, and ask forgiveness.

I have to express my thanks to several members of the college for most valuable help: to the Provost for kindly allowing me to see the correspondence between Provost Hawkins and the three Tutors; to the Dean,

the Rev. F. H. Hall, for information on athletics, without which Chapter X. could not have been attempted; and to Professor F. C. Montague, the present Librarian, for knowledge about the contents of the Library. I am indebted to Mr. W. A. Craigie, one of the most learned of the younger members of Oriel, for the interpretation of Bishop Robinson's runes, given on p. 124.

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D. W. R.