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PREFACE

Ir has been very truly said that the Ulster question is only properly understood by Ulstermen, residents in other parts of Ireland having, at the best, an incomplete grasp of the real deep-down issues. It may, I think, with equal truth be added that mere residence in Ulster is not in itself sufficient to lay bare the inner soul of the people, there being—in the case of the native part of the population—a very wide gap between their secret feelings and that which appears on the surface. In moments of acute political interest this gap becomes sensibly lessened.

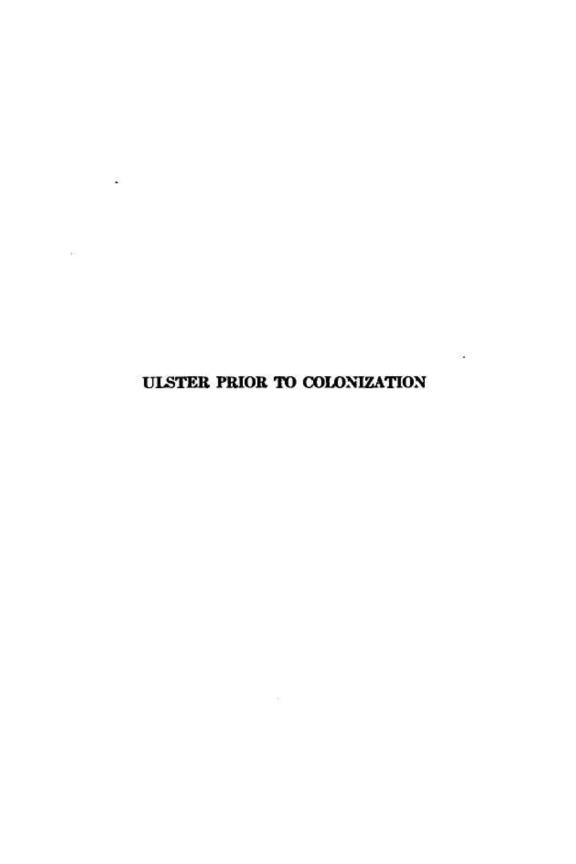
North Tyrone has been the scene—since the Redistribution Bill—of more closely-contested elections than any other Constituency in the kingdom; and as one who has taken an active part—as principal or otherwise—in all of these contests, I have perhaps had exceptional opportunities of getting occasional rather startling glimpses of the real soul of Ulster.

> ERNEST HAMILTON, M.P. for North Tyrone, 1885-1892.

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