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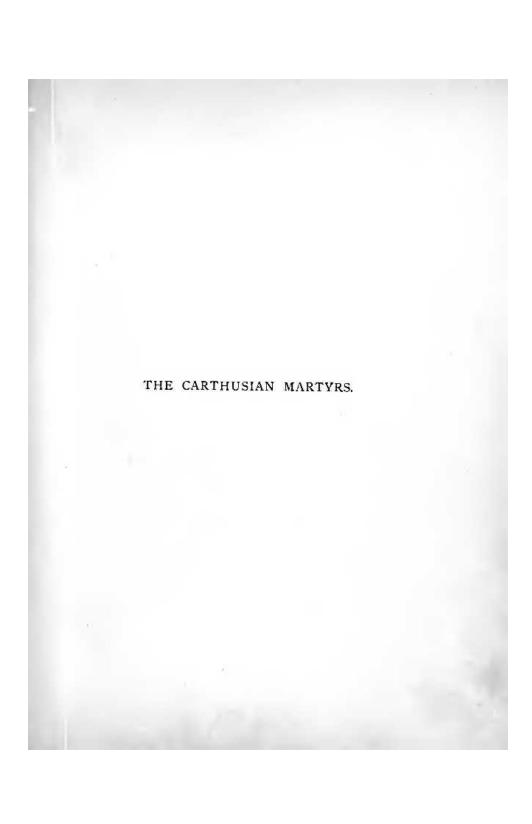
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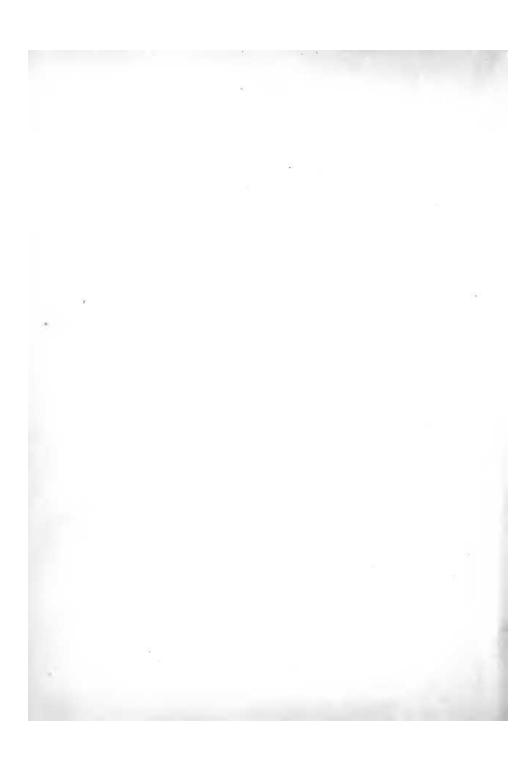
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INTRODUCTION.

WITH SOME ACCOUNT OF DOM MAURICE CHAUNCEY, THE AUTHOR OF THIS HISTORY.

THE history of which a translation is here offered, was written by Dom Maurice Chauncey, a monk of the London Charter House about the year 1539, shortly after the destruction of that House by Cromwell and his agents. It describes in simple and touching language the condition of the House just before its downfall, which was then recent—the measures adopted to force the new dogma of the Royal Supremacy upon its members—the death and sufferings of those who refused the oath, and the dispersion of the rest after many and severe trials.

Dom Maurice Chauncey was born in Hertfordshire about A.D. 1513. He was educated at Oxford and Gray's Inn, and entered the Carthusian Order before he was twenty, and was professed in 1534, Blessed John Houghton being then Prior. During the persecution which followed that Martyr's death, Dom Maurice was zealous in resisting the endeavours of Cromwell to induce the monks to acknowledge the supremacy of the King, and was one of four who were sent away from the London House into another House of the Order near