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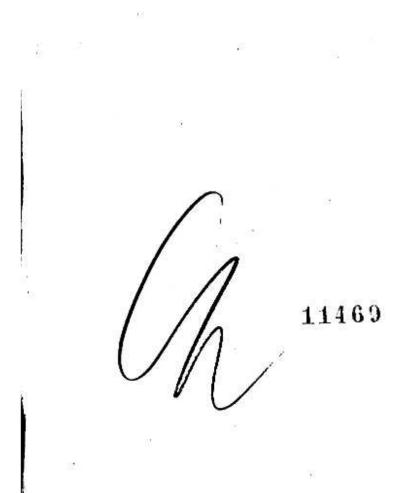
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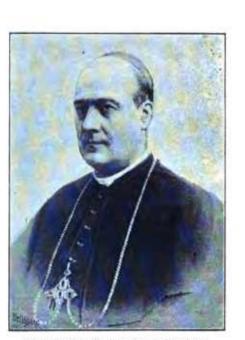
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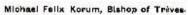


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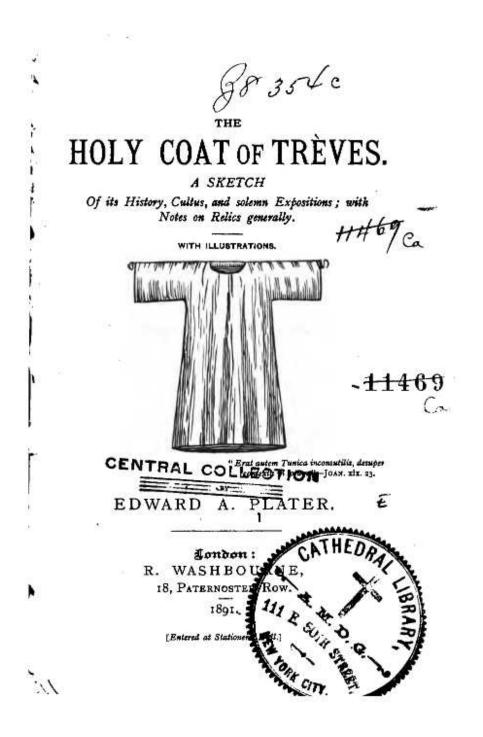
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CHAPTER I.

INTRODUCTORY.

DURING the late summer of last year, in the course of a holiday tour in Germany, the writer first made acquaintance with the old-world city of Trèves; and if the shortness of his stay was a disappointment, he was at least encouraged to look forward to a second visit, under circumstances of unusual interest, in the year to follow. For rumours were already afloat of the proposed solemn Exposition of the great Relic with which the name of Trèves has been associated for so many centuries, the "seamless Tunic of our Lord."

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Forty-six years had elapsed since Trèves last held high fête in sight of the object of its veneration, and all city and diocese were overjoyed at learning that its Bishop was just then engaged, with the