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THIS brief record of the life of the late Mr. William Walker has been prepared at the request of Mr. John Ferguson, of the *Ceylon Observer*.

Believing that these Notes will be acceptable to the many relatives of the family, as a souvenir of one whom they all loved, I have extended them so as to include some of Mr. Walker's own writings.

I am deeply conscious of my inability to do justice to my subject, but feel confident all imperfections will be charitably overlooked.

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CHAPTER I.

I N the exceedingly interesting volume already published under the title of "Pioneers of the Planting Enterprise of Ceylon" the proprietors of the Ceylon Observer have been good enough to include a sketch of the life of the late John Walker, and it seems fitting that this should be followed by a brief outline of the life of his brother William, who for so many years was associated with him in developing the business known all over the colony as "Walker's." The two brothers, who for so long were united in business, were not long separated, John