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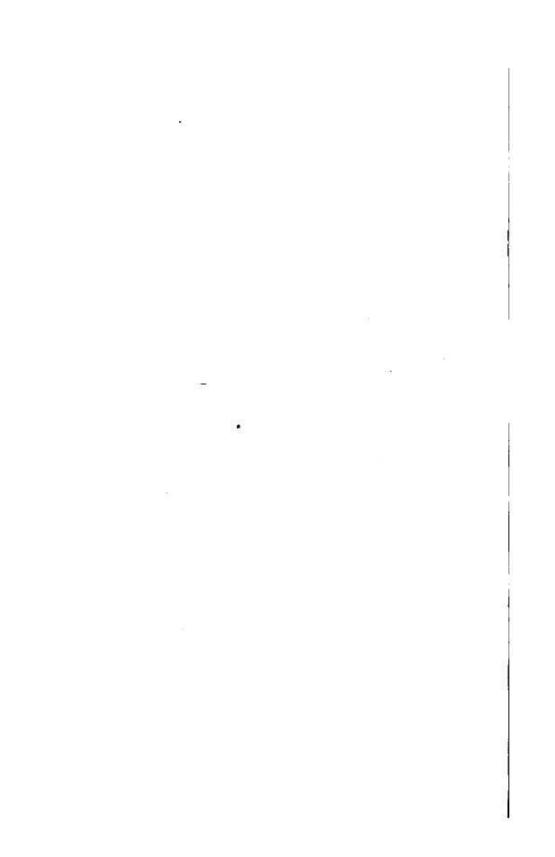
Whose devotion to the interests of the Bristol and Gloucestershire Archæological Society will never be forgotten.

PREFACE.

My apology for attempting to write the history of the three Sodburies is, that on the occasion of the last visit of the Bristol and Gloucestershire Archæological Society to this neighbourhood Canon Bazeley urged upon all the members the duty of writing the history of the towns or of the neighbourhood in which they dwelt.

The history of the Sodburies, not being without interest, proved an easy task, and the kind help which my neighbours gave me made it an agreeable one.

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