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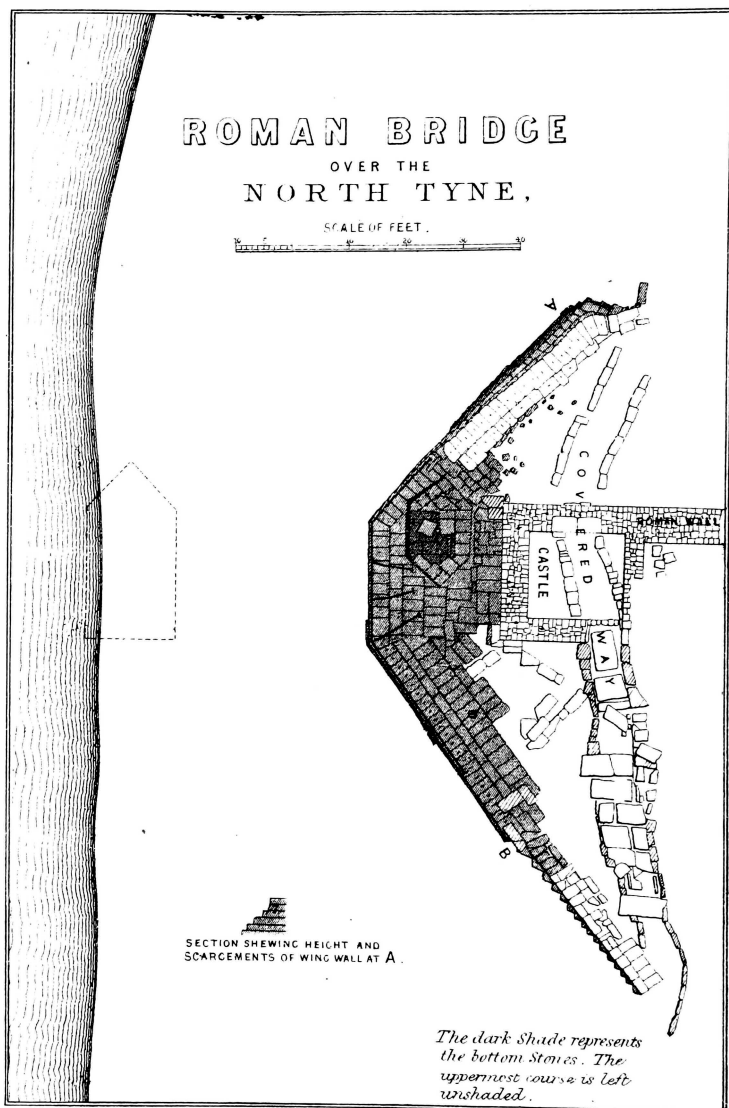
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## P R E F A C E .

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CAMDEN, speaking of the Roman works in Britain, says “Certes, they are works of exceeding great admiration, and sumptuous magnificence ; especially the Picts’ Wall.” Stukeley in his *Iter Boreale* denominates the Wall “The noblest monument in Europe.” Hutton of Birmingham made the tour of the Wall on foot in his 79th year ; and has left us an account of his journey, which is full of youthful enthusiasm.

At one time Camden, Stukeley, and Hutton had but few followers—now, the general diffusion of knowledge, the interest felt by Englishmen in the history of their own country, and a better appreciation of the value of antiquarian research, have awakened a desire in many carefully to examine the Barrier of the Lower Isthmus from sea to sea. Once more the language of Chaucer is applicable :—

“ Then longen folk to go on pilgrimages.”

To assist such, this little work has been prepared. It is intended for the field, not the library table.

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It does not profess to describe the various objects visited, but to inform the traveller what he is to look for, and to assist him in examining it.

The writer may be allowed to refer those who wish for a fuller description of the Barrier and its antiquities, to his work upon "The Roman Wall," a third edition of which has been some years in preparation, and will ere long be issued.

He hopes soon also to put into the hands of antiquaries a treatise upon the "Inscribed and Sculptured Stones of the Roman Era" which have been found in the North of England; in the preparation of which he has derived most important assistance from some of the learned and the noble of the land.

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