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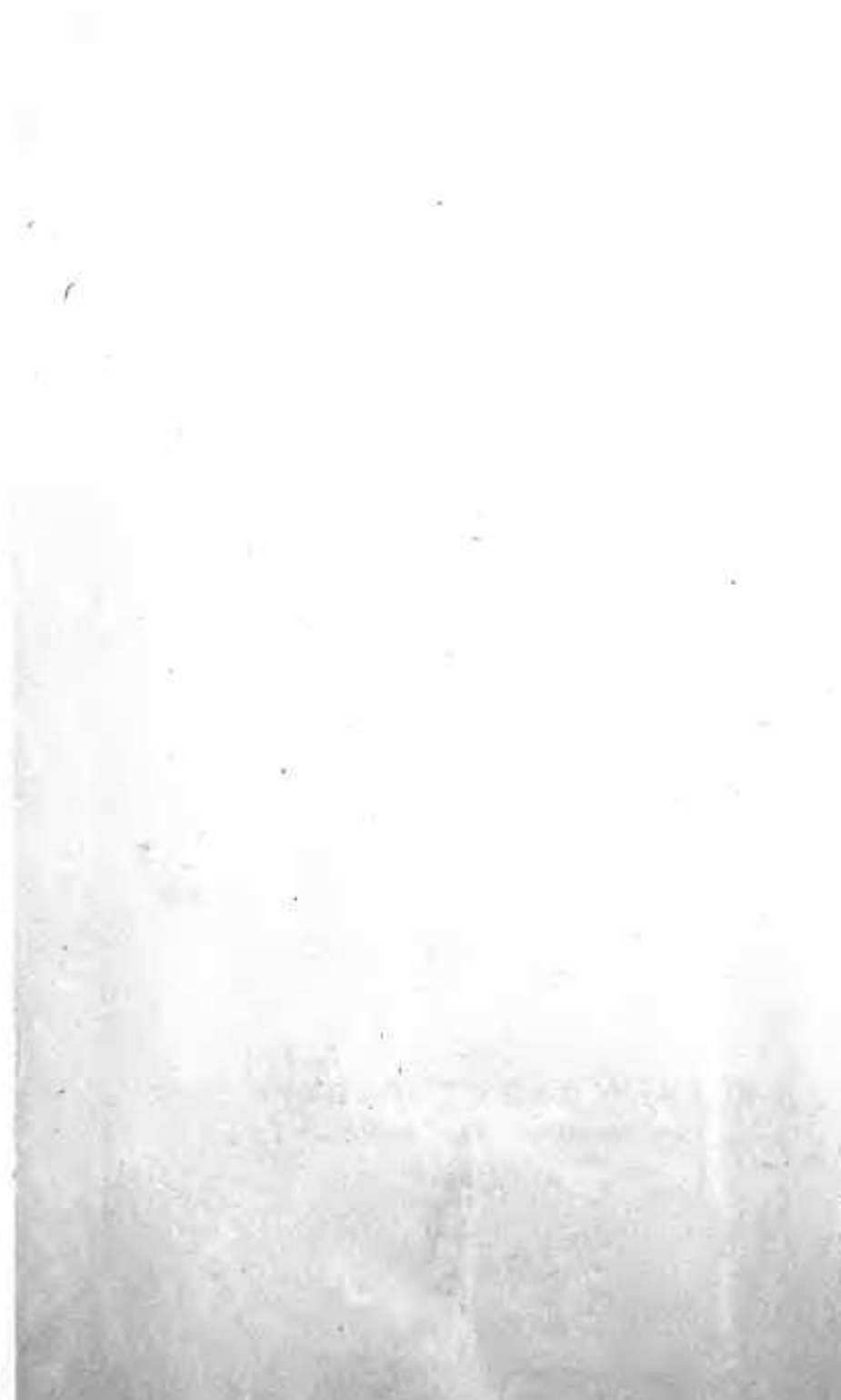
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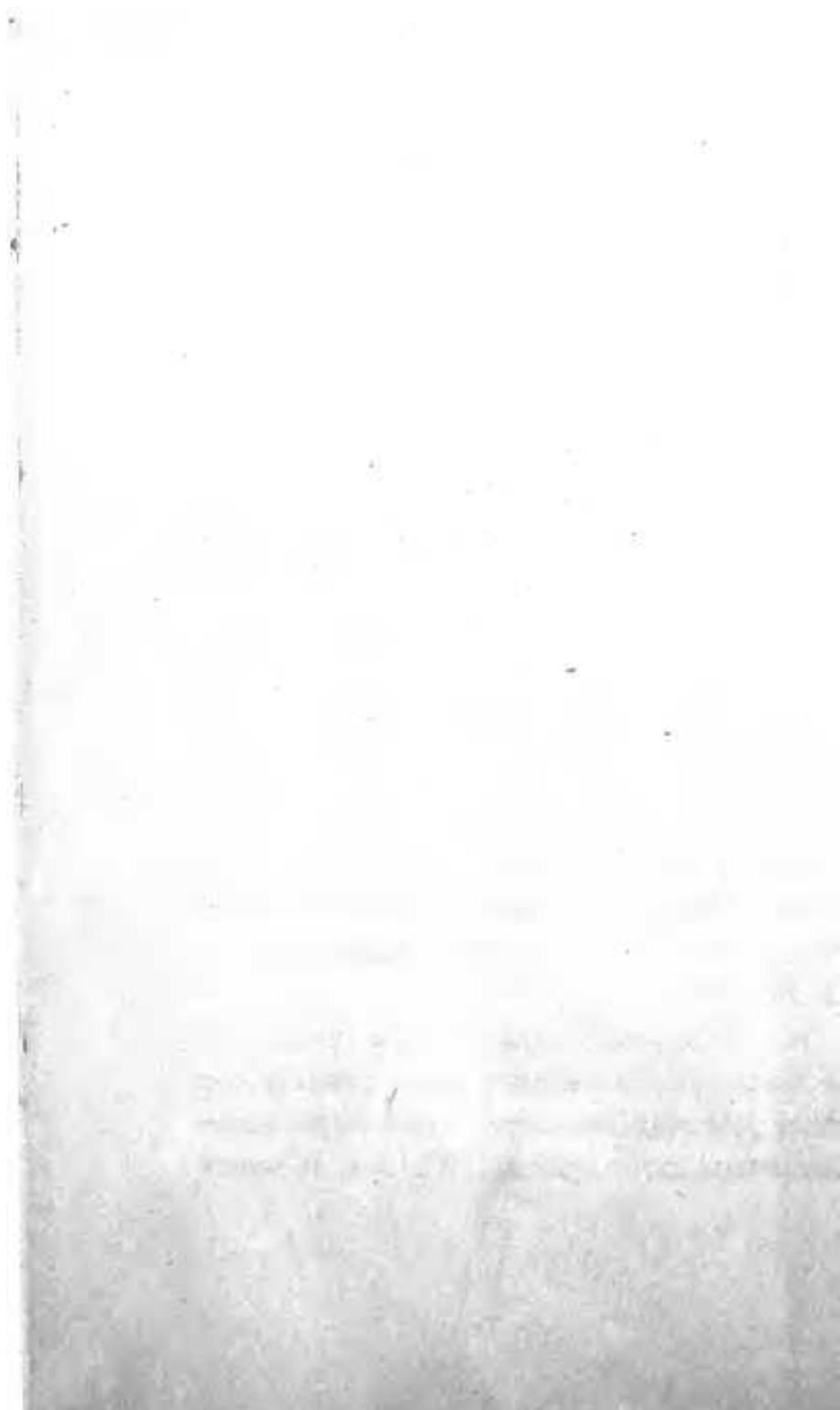
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P R E F A C E

NO ancient writer of such primary importance for the environment and presuppositions of early Christianity has suffered the neglect which has fallen to the lot of Philo. This is true both of British and continental scholarship. I do not mean for a moment to underrate such comprehensive and valuable works as the late Principal Drummond's *Philo Judaeus*, 2 vols. (London: Williams & Norgate, 1888), and Dr. Emile Bréhier's *Les Idées Philosophiques et Religieuses de Philon d'Alexandrie* (Paris: A. Picard et Fils, 1908).

But Philo deserves to be made the subject of many special monographs. Possibly the sheer profusion of material has scared some competent investigators. No one, it seems