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## PREFACE.

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THE original authorities on which I have relied in writing this brief history of Boston, are enumerated in Chapter XII. of my "Short History of the English Colonies in America," published in 1881, from which I have ventured to borrow two passages for the chapter in this volume on Boston in the Provincial period. In addition to the sources used before, I have now been able to draw also upon Sewall's Diary, which has been printed since 1881, and which is the most important contemporary authority on Colonial Massachusetts. My largest debt, however, and it is one which I desire to acknowledge in the fullest manner, is to the "Memorial History of Boston," each chapter of which was written by a specialist, and the whole edited with the utmost thoroughness and research by Mr. Justin Winsor. I wish also to take this opportunity to thank my friend Mr. Brander Matthews for many kind suggestions, and for the interest he has shown in the preparation of this volume.

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