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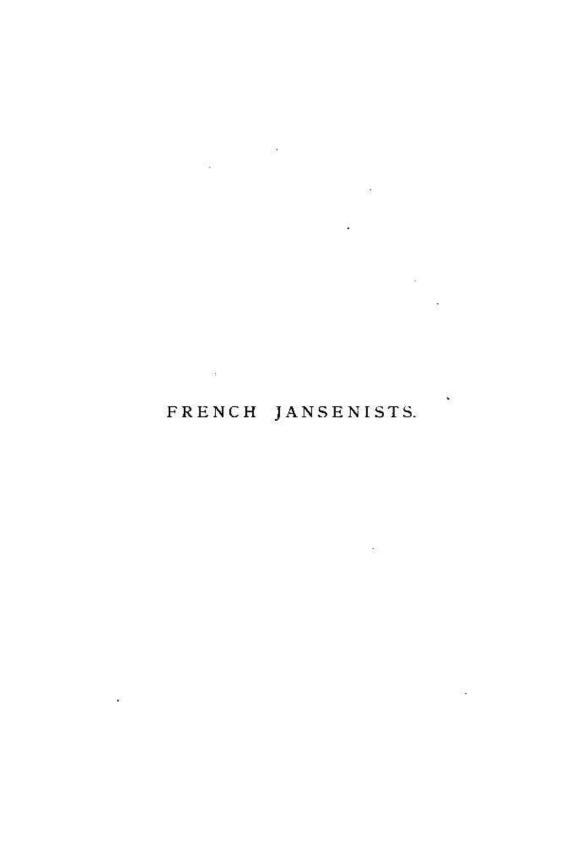
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'En un cadre réduit, Port-Royal a vu se déployer des caractères dont la trampe n'à pas été surpassée. . . . L'arène du combat peut sembler étroite; mais les âmes sont grandes.'

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#### PREFACE.

In the seventeenth century the name of 'Jansenist' was a term of reproach given to the Port-Royalists by their adversaries, because they defended the religious opinions held by Jansenius, Bishop of Ypres.

But the noble characters of these 'so-called' Jansenists, their high standard of morality, and the unjust persecution which they endured, have cast a halo round the name, and French Jansenists have gained that sympathy and respect which genius, learning, and purity of life must, sooner or later, command.

I have sought in these pages to gather together some of the thoughts and sayings of the leading Jansenists, and to give in each case a sketch of their lives.

MARGUERITE TOLLEMACHE.

Easter, 1893.

