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PREFACE

KING ALFRED OF ENGLAND is one of the noblest of the sovereigns upon whom History has conferred the title of "The Great." At the very beginning of the world-encircling history of the Anglo-Saxon race looms his majestic figure. We see him through the mist of ten centuries hurling back the invaders of his country, giving peace to his realm, ruling it with consummate wisdom, laboring arduously at the translation and composition of books that his subjects might receive the precious light of learning, codifying their laws that justice might prevail in the land,—in short, building up out of his broken little dominions a kingdom destined to become the corner stone of the mighty British Empire.

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