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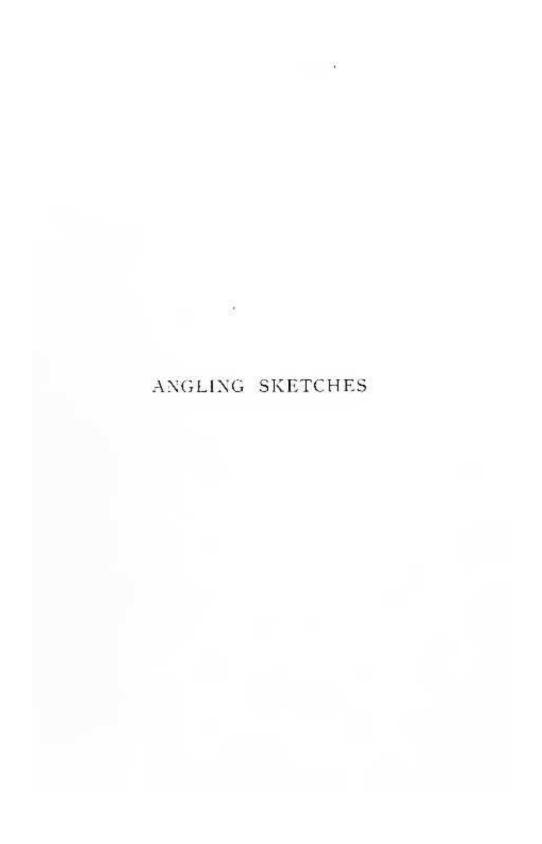
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SEVERAL of the sketches in this volume have appeared in periodicals. 'The Bloody Doctor' was in Macmillan's Magazine, 'The Confessions of a Duffer,' 'Loch Awe,' and 'The Lady or the Salmon?' were in the Fishing Gazette, but have been to some extent re-written. 'The Double Alibi' was in Longman's Magazine. The author has to thank the Editors and Publishers for permission to reprint these papers.

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