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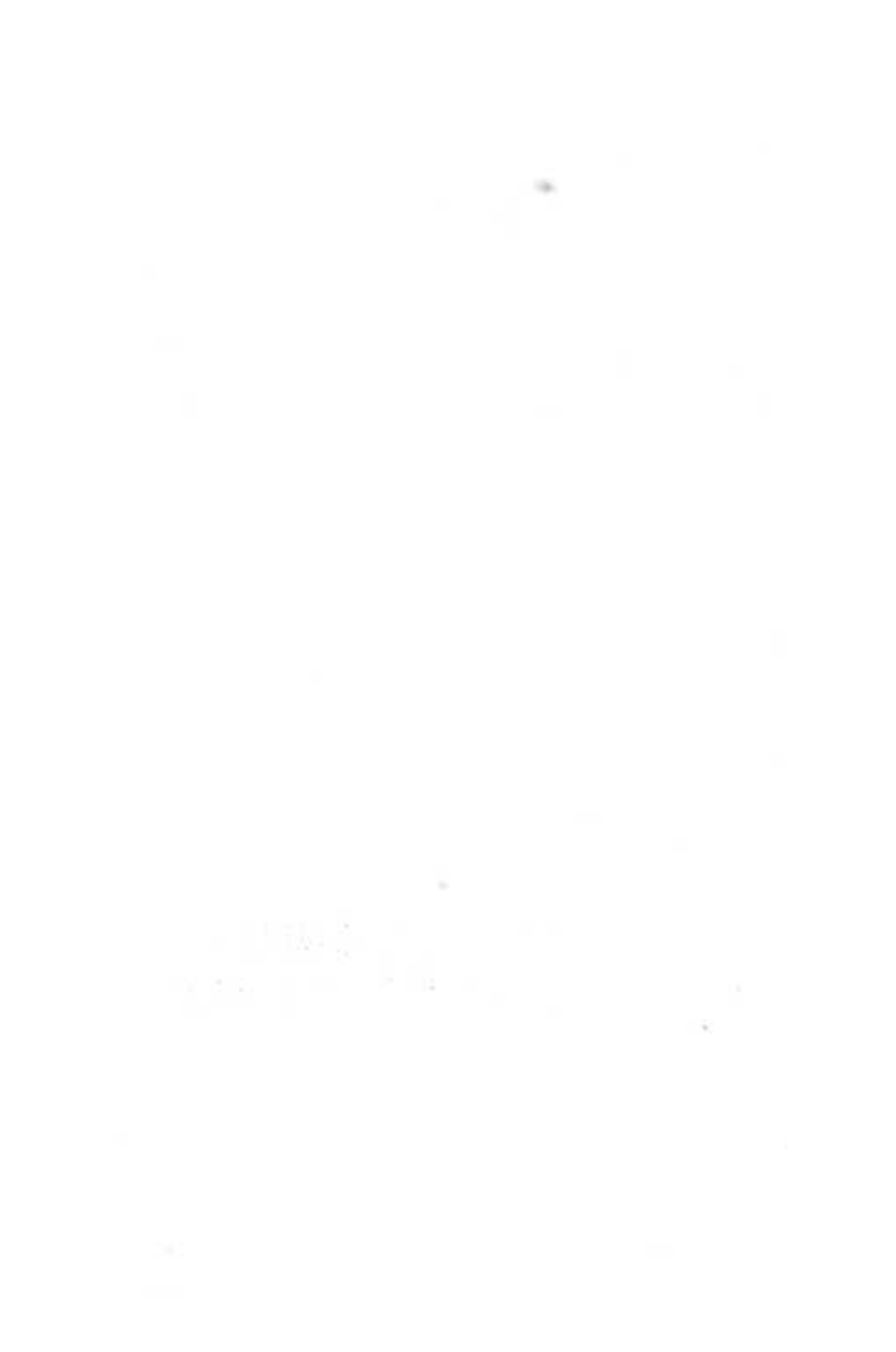
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My object in compiling these Memoirs is  
ostensible enough: I wish to deter young  
men of family and fortune from pursuing  
the track of Sir Philip Gasteneys.

The characters and incidents are purely

fictitious. I state this distinctly, so that should any one be absurd enough to think otherwise, he may enjoy his conceit at leisure.

But though the story as a whole be fabulous, I do not mean to deny that in some of the scenes I have availed myself of events which I have either witnessed or heard of in real life.

I have affixed my name to it, not from any motive of vanity—since I do not expect to derive any credit from it—but because I am not conscious of having written any

thing of which I ought to be ashamed: and I neither understand nor admire the specious modesty of those who, although they are universally known as the authors of a work, indulge in the affectation of withholding their names from its title page, until they have ascertained whether the voice of public opinion be in their favour.

ROGER GRESLEY.

Paris, March 25th, 1829.