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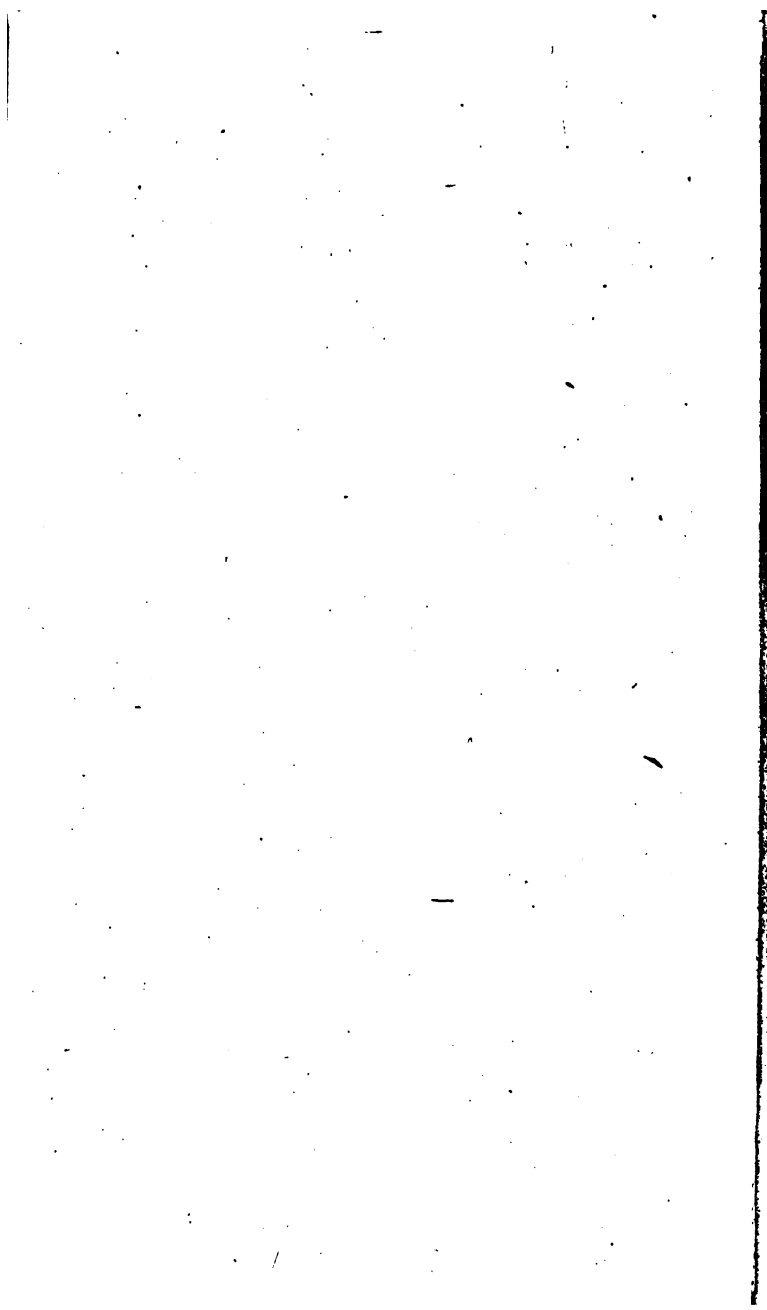
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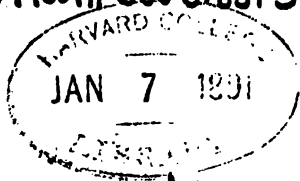
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PREFACE.

THE PRESENT INTRODUCTION has resulted not from theorizing on what may be expedient, but from long experience of what is needful. The author has, from time to time, had applications for assistance in the study of such treatises on the Conic Sections as those of Salmon, Hymers, Puckle, and Todhunter. He has accordingly ascertained the nature of the difficulties that perplex and discourage many readers of those treatises, and has endeavoured in this publication to provide a first course of lessons and exercises which, he thinks, cannot fail of qualifying the young student for reading with intelligence and profit the masterly works referred to. Todhunter's book is especially recommended as the most appropriate sequel to this Introduction.

It should be remarked that the name *Conic Sections* chiefly refers to the Ellipse, Hyperbola, and Parabola, as curves that can be obtained by means of a right cone variously intersected by a plane.

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