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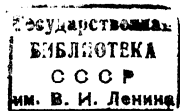
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## PREFACE

IN this book I have relied almost exclusively on the researches of others for my material, and have therefore, as a general rule, given references only when quoting the words of previous writers. My chief obligation, it is hardly necessary to state, is to Dr. Cunningham's "Growth of English Industry and Commerce," and I have been especially fortunate in writing after the publication of the enlarged edition of this great work. Amongst a number of foreign books I am most indebted to Dr. Steffen's "Geschichte der Englichen Lohnarbeiter," whose author has generously allowed me to publish the charts attached to Appendix I. I have also to acknowledge the kindness of several friends who have read portions of the book in manuscript or proof, and assisted me with valuable criticisms and suggestions.

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