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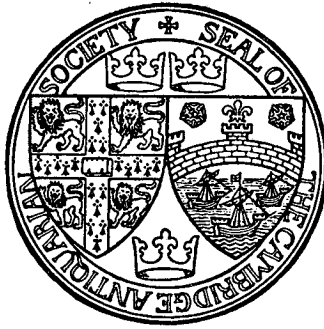
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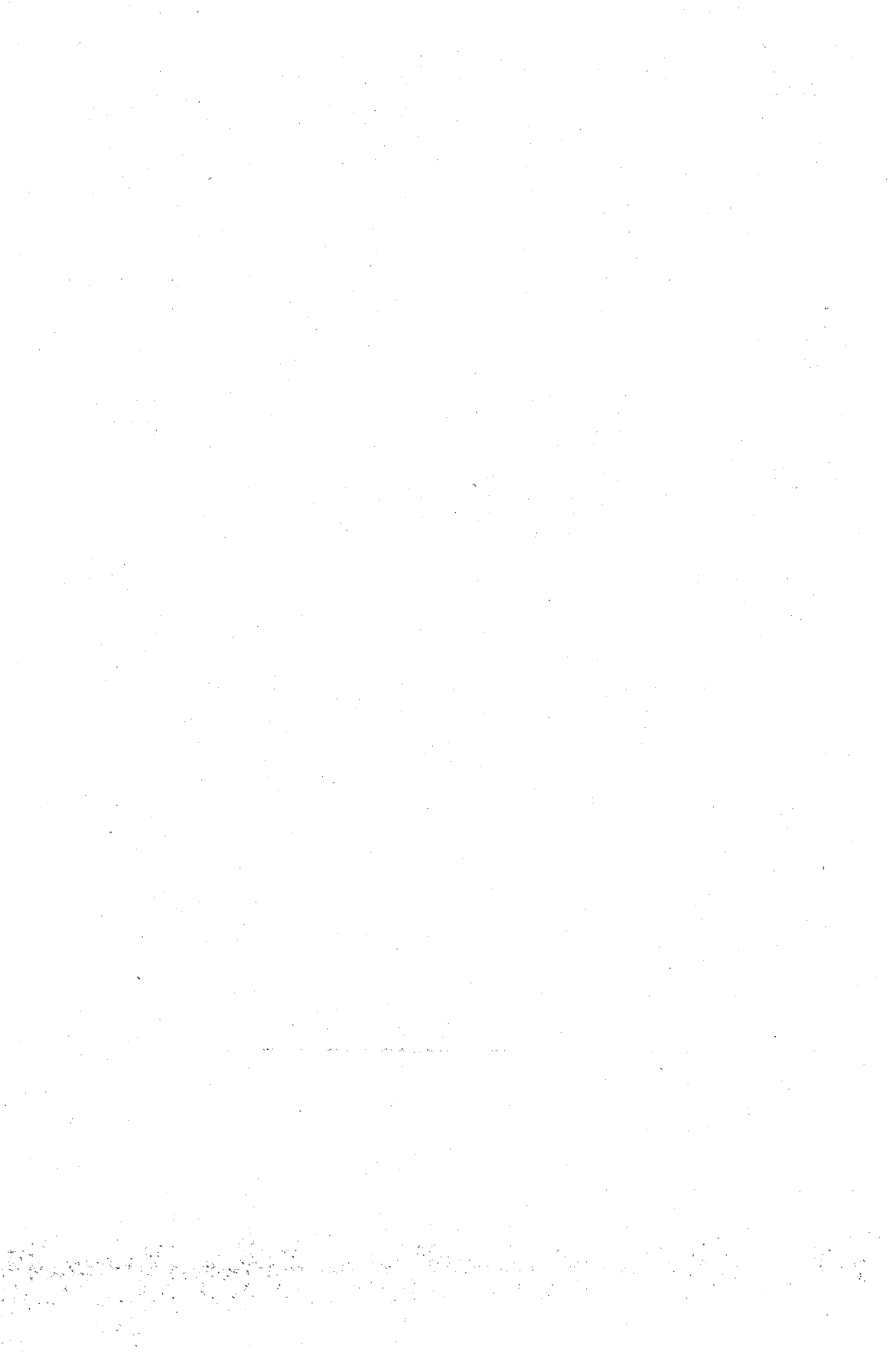
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Roman Cambridgeshire. David M. Browne. 1977

The extended limits of the modern county of Cambridgeshire enable David Browne in *Roman Cambridgeshire* greatly to widen the scope of his survey compared with earlier studies of the Cambridge region. Thus the scanty information available for the movements of the army can now be augmented by a description of the recently excavated vexillation fortress at Longthorpe, and in addition to Cambridge, evidence from the towns of Godmanchester and Water Newton can be included. Up to date information about the occupation of the fens, and about the ironworking and pottery industries found during recent research in the Nene Valley also make a considerable contribution.

A few points might be queried. The Willingham club for instance seems more likely to be connected with a cult of Hercules, a local favourite, than with Diana; and the Lord's Bridge barrow is in the parish of Barton rather than Hauxton. But *Roman Cambridgeshire* provides a very interesting summary brought to a fine conclusion by the notable discovery of the Water Newton silver treasure, probably the earliest Christian plate known in the Empire.

Joan Liversidge

Anglo-Saxon Cambridgeshire. Alison Taylor. 1978

The account of Anglo-Saxon Cambridgeshire is a good up-to-date introduction to the subject. Although intended for the general public, it may also be useful to some students, as there is no other survey of this type more recent than Cyril Fox's *Archaeology of the Cambridge Region*, and some of the information contained in this booklet is as yet unpublished elsewhere. A good starting point for anyone interested in this phase of Cambridgeshire history.

Catherine Hills

Medieval Cambridgeshire. H.C. Darby. 1977

This, the 15th in the series of booklets on aspects of Cambridgeshire history, covers the period between 1066 and 1500. As one would expect from Professor Darby, it is written with considerable authority and great insight and understanding. The work is not, nor is it intended to be, a detailed academic history, but rather a general introduction into the period. As such it succeeds in its aim. It is clearly and succinctly written, and Professor Darby never hesitates to point out what is unknown in addition to explaining what is well understood. An admirable booklet to be recommended to all who desire to learn about our county.

C.C. Taylor

Note: the above four booklets can now also be obtained bound together, in hard covers, for £4.95.

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