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## PREFACE

**I**N preparing these lectures for the press I did not try to remove all signs of their colloquial origin, but I occasionally eliminated an expression that looked too casual for the printed page. While revising the manuscript I also took the opportunity of adding a few afterthoughts. The lectures, however, remain essentially as they were delivered. In the first of them I discussed the nature of satire and the motives of the satirist. It should be obvious that in the other five I did not attempt anything like a history of satire. It is true that I kept to a chronological order in each lecture, and paid some attention to developments; but I spoke only about those satirists who interested me most, or about whom there was something that I wanted to say.

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J.S.

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