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#### NOTE

Like many others, this essay owes its fifteen years' sequestration to my husband's repugnance to seeing himself in print. A year after the delivery of the Rede Lecture he wrote to a friend: 'The lecture has lain in a drawer since this time last year: I wish I could overcome that feeling of disgust which overtakes me when I have written anything. It must be from some such feeling that animals eat their young.'

I have felt it to be my duty to rescue the lecture from the drawer, and prepare it for the Cambridge University Press.

MARY GORDON

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