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# **PREFACE**

THIS little book needs little introduction. It has been written in the hope of indicating a new point of view, at which the writer has himself arrived, but which he has not seen elsewhere described.

The chief conscious obligations, in respect of books, are acknowledged in the course of the essay; but perhaps immediate personal influences, which cannot be acknowledged, have a more permanent effect on the direction and development of thought than the mediate influence of books.

If some passages from one or more well-known works are selected for criticism, this is done in order to bring into relief the writer's own standpoint, not from any lack of respect for authors who are deservedly held in high esteem.



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To Professor V. H. Stanton, Canon of Ely, who was good enough to read the MS and proofs, most hearty thanks are due for much helpful suggestion and kindly criticism: he must not, of course, be held responsible for the opinions expressed.

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D. W.

HARROW-ON-THE-HILL, October 1913.



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