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Preface

TO many of my husband's friends these lectures will come with a special message. They were much on his mind and heart, and before leaving England he spent many hours in their preparation. His affection for the American people had always been strong, and when the invitation came to him to deliver the Divinity Lectures at Yale University, he felt that it was an honour impossible to refuse, though the need for a complete rest was overwhelming. Into their delivery he put all the fire and enthusiasm that were so characteristic of him, and the testimony on all sides was that never before had the lecturer so gripped his audience, and so won it by his personality. Afterwards many of those who had heard him wrote to say how wonderful had been the help and uplift, and how in difficult places they would gain constant inspiration from his words.

Three days after the last lecture he was called suddenly to the presence of the Master whom he served so faithfully. My earnest hope is, that his last message may still cheer and help many of his brother ministers whom he loved so well, and for whom he gave his best.

KATHARINE M. HORNE.

*Church Stretton,
August, 1914.*

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Introduction

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FROM the days when Henry Ward Beecher gave the first series of lectures on the "Lyman Beecher Foundation" in Yale University, on through those years when this service has been performed by such eminent men as Phillips Brooks and R. W. Dale, Henry van Dyke and John Watson, Lyman Abbott and George A. Gordon, Washington Gladden and Francis G. Peabody, the task of inspiring young ministers to nobler effort in their high calling has been well performed. But among them all, few lecturers have ever so gripped the divinity students, the larger audience of pastors in active service and the thoughtful people of New Haven as did Silvester Horne when he spoke to us on "The Romance of Preaching."

He was himself a shining example of those