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PREFACE

The present study is the development of a paper presented in the American Historical Seminary, Johns Hopkins University, in the spring of 1918, and it will constitute one of the chapters in the author's forthcoming *Life of William Learned Marcy*. It was at the suggestion of Dr. John H. Latané that the present writer undertook to write a comprehensive biography of William L. Marcy, one of America's great secretaries of state, and one whose influence upon American foreign policy has not been fully appreciated.

The public archives in Canada and in the United States have been carefully examined, and it is the author's belief that this monograph on the Canadian Reciprocity Treaty of 1854 is the first serious attempt to present this important subject from a close study of the original sources.

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