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PREFACE.

THIS little book is not a philosophical speculation, nor is it a theory. It is a brief statement of fundamental facts corroborated by every development of Science.

It presents the structural unity of the Design and the relations and inter-relations of the Infinite diversity of its manifestations in their common relationship to and dependence upon the Central Power, the Source; especially its aim is to make plain the cause of evolutionary transformations that culminated in the mind of man, which was, and is, capable of aspiration for renewal, "dominion," and, individually of progress and immortality.

Sir James Crichton Browne, the English specialist, has said of physicians: "Whatever theoretical tenets they may embrace, whatever physiological system they may adopt, they will, when they find themselves medical practitioners at the bedside, become ardent vitalists."

Vitalists are those who see in life more than can be accounted for on any known physical basis. We are all vitalists, and all values are tributary

to life. That death should have dominion, and that everything should gradually return to "ether, the ultimate end of things," is not the design.

"Joy is the mainspring of endless Nature's calm rotation," and its culmination for man is "everlasting life" in fulness of joy.

Man has capabilities for his own enlightenment and progress, and his activities, in the light, are the glory of that Architect who made inherent in His Plan building materials and workers, and in these a structural law, whereby the builders are, through their aspiring activities perfected to dwell with Him in indestructible "mansions."

The stepping-stones that men of science have laid in the path of discovery are of inestimable value, and, if the way is steep, so much the wider is the view when the hill-top is reached.

MASSACHUSETTS, U.S.A.,

January 1912.

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