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To the memory of my dear Mother who years ago as a Christian woman, passed from the little hamlet I write about into the great unknown beyond, I dedicate this small volume. A slight token of the affection, and appreciation of her and her teaching, by her son the author.

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PREFACE

In writing this essay which the publishers have thought fit to bring out in book form, the author has not intended to enter upon condemnation other than that which he thinks a false conception of what is the best deserves.

He may therefore at times be misunderstood and considered a little harsh, unless one keeps ever in mind as to what the best consists in. It is true he firmly believes the word aristocrat, is applied in entirely too limited a sense, when it is considered as belonging only to those of so called noble origin, and noble not synonymous with virtue, still, he hopes and trusts the little volume may in the end do good, by pointing out the many dangers he thinks beset any other course in society, than that which has for its object, the true betterment of humanity by example and

precept, and not simply by name; and thus avoiding false pride (vanity) and egotism of birth or wealth, give place to a true concept of what the word Aristocrat stands for, when carefully analyzed and laid bare.

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