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## PREFACE

The annexation of the Philippines is the immediate reason for this book, which, in dealing with the event itself, advocates withdrawal of our sovereignty from the islands, and suggests a method for its accomplishment. In the larger and permanent purpose of the book the event is but the text for a general discussion of annexation, with regard to the policies proper for the guidance of the United States in the matter of enlarging their territory, and to the obligations that go with their sovereignty.

These obligations are partly of a moral nature, and partly are determined by the Constitution. Some of the questions of constitutional law involving the taxation of commerce have been argued before the Supreme Court in causes now under advisement, and may be adjudicated before this book is published: Yet I have written positively on the whole question of constitutional obligation because I believe that in theory of law the Constitution is supreme throughout the jurisdiction of Congress, and because its supremacy is a principle generally held by our people,