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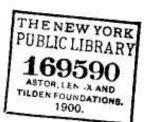
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PREFACE.

This book is not written to magnify an individual, but to illustrate a principle. Its drift is, to show how a life which is genial and earnest on earth, may be sacred and safe for the sky;—and so, secure the resumption of the real charms of earth, in Heaven.

It is a life, flushing in its brief sojourn, with the earnestness of this world, but advancing, with marked celerity, towards the next. All the thoughts, here arranged, whether expressed in verse, or prose, by letter, or by the meditations of solitude, will be found to take a hearty, happy, hold of the scenes about us, and to put themselves in sympathy with the most eager and tender sentiments of the young.

They will be found to converge, notwithstanding, with one consent, towards the loftier love, and the larger knowledge, which awaits the enfranchised, educated child of God.

They are presented for no other purpose, and at no greater length, than may subserve this illustration.

At a time when many religious services are sterile, and many human hearts are faithless, this brave young spirit may beckon some fellow spirit forward, by a fresh demonstration that sensitiveness need not be selfish, nor an ideal life unreal; and above all, that to be saintly towards the Heaven, is not to be sickly towards the earth.

This simple sketch of spiritual shapeliness presents itself, as a positive argument of an everlasting life.

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