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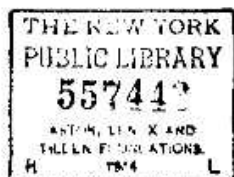
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## FOREWORD

THE unique characteristic of modern times — one which gives every indication of being permanent — is that the world, both personal and external, is to an apparently increasing degree in a state of change. The immense significance of this fact is as yet but dimly perceived. The new modifies the old or displaces it in every department of life without exception and with increasing rapidity. New ideas, new movements, new ways of looking at things present themselves for attention for the first time or call upon people to change their attitude towards things they had considered settled. This state of the world renders the practical problems of personal conduct and social policy increasingly vital and complex, and makes the task of a college in its relation to them as much more difficult as an institution is less mobile than an individual.

To assist Amherst College, therefore, in throwing light in a genuinely scientific spirit upon the relation of the research, discovery,



and thought of the day to individual attitude and social policy is our aim in the foundation of these lectures. Such light may come through a recent discovery in natural or applied science, through a new tendency in art, literature, or music; it may be the result of some painstaking research in history or anthropology; or it may be found in some vital movement, religious, philosophic, economic, or political. It is our wish that men and women who are in the position of leaders in such phases of the life of the day shall give to Amherst College and the world an exposition of their particular work in its relation to what they conceive to be a modern outlook.

We give these lectures in memory of William Brewster Clark, M.D., who graduated from Amherst in the class of 1876. We believe that no place for a memorial to him could be more fitting than the college which he loved with a devotion characteristically rich and sincere, nor any form more suitable than lectures on subjects which to him would be most absorbing.

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W. EVANS CLARK.

NEW YORK CITY, 11 March, 1913.

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