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## PREFACE

THE attempt has been made in this book to examine the relation of Christianity to Evolution—not simply to re-direct the thought of man to the origin, growth and progress of natural religion, but more especially to show that “nature is the sum of the manifestations of the will of God,” and that from time immemorial there has been a steady and natural unfolding of the moral sentiment, seen in all species of morals and religion. I have purposely evaded all questions which may involve metaphysical subtlety and sophistry, and endeavored to touch upon only those relative points which force themselves upon me by their importance. I have aimed to know not what God could or would do, but rather what He has done

and is doing. It must be confessed that the gauntlet is thrown down to all forms of supernaturalism which trespass upon the uniformity of the order of natural law and causation. Christianity is found to be the most exact contribution to the unfolding of natural religion.

The hope is expressed that the book, which aims to be suggestive rather than exhaustive or conclusive, will satisfy all those who seek after truth.

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## EVOLUTION

THERE is no subject which has so agitated the world in these latter years as that of evolution. From the time Charles Darwin's celebrated works "The Origin of Species" and "The Descent of Man" were published, philosophy, science and religion have been quite revolutionized. Every department of knowledge has received light, and, by the information which geology gives of the history of organic and inorganic nature, we learn the more accurate account of the origin, development and civilization of man. The rational unfolding of the history of life will give us a key to the economic providences of God, and show that in the great sweep of universal existence, taking in all matter and time, there has been no interruption of the facts and laws of causation and that what has been considered the mar-