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NEW FOUNDATIONS FOR MAN'S GREAT HOPE

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MANY VIRTUES, THIS BOOK IS ASCRIBED

TO MY WIFE

NOT LONG SINCE TRANSLATED
TO THE HOME ON HIGH

FOREWORD

THE distinctive purpose and other special features of this book are explained in the opening chapter. However, it needs yet to be stated here that, as now presented, the work really consists of two parts. Part first, which occupies much the larger space, contains a series of articles that were originally published in a metropolitan journal; in which shape this part was widely read, calling forth not a few responses indicative of special interest. Those articles, however, have been thoroughly revised, much new matter has been added to them, and in places the text has been entirely changed. Essentially, though, this part of the work remains largely the same.

Part second, which we have named a Supplement, contains, first, quite a number of matters, deemed important, which are naturally related to the subject in general; and, secondly, replies to various objections such as could not well be answered in the main body of the work. Thus, it is believed, the production has been rendered more comprehensive and up-to-date, as an expression of what can and should be said, in these times, upon the great matter of human immortality.

Bishop Samuel Fallows, of Chicago, who is widely known as being himself an earnest investigator and writer upon immortality, has very kindly written a note of introduction, giving some account of the work; for which kindness we are deeply grateful. Also we wish

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here to express our thanks to many other friends who have, in one way or another, kindly advised, or requested a republication of the work—that is, in book form and with the alterations above mentioned.

One mistake this book has earnestly tried to avoid, namely, an overuse of speculation, or a construction of arguments simply upon unprovable hypotheses—a method which naturally leads to uncertainty, and does not promote an earnest and positive faith, such as men should have, in the great hereafter. Our effort has therefore been, in all the fields of our inquiry, first of all to ascertain if possible the pertinent facts, and then to build what argument we could upon these facts. Moreover, since science, philosophy, and religion all have in them important facts bearing upon immortality, we have included in our studies all three of those fields; thus endeavoring to make the general argument as widely supported and as strong as possible.

With these explanations and acknowledgments we again commit the work to the public; only expressing a desire that it may, in this enlarged and much improved shape, be received with as kindly consideration as upon its first appearance, in the form mentioned.

It might be added yet that this work was prepared for the press about the time when the great European war began; but because of that war its publication has been deferred until now. Also the war has caused some important changes to be made in the work.

INTRODUCTORY NOTE

By BISHOP SAMUEL FALLOWS

My attention was first called to Doctor Heagle's production, entitled "Do the Dead Still Live? or, the Testimony of Science Respecting a Future Life," when it was first published as a series of articles in the *Chicago Inter-Ocean*, now a considerable time ago. Also I have been conversant, more or less, with the changes which Doctor Heagle has since made in the original form of the work. As now offered, therefore, the production seems to me to be really a whole library of condensed information respecting the important subject discussed. Moreover, it may be affirmed that this subject is one that can never grow old; because men will always die, and therefore will always be interested in the question of what comes after death.

In his discussion of that great question Doctor Heagle has undertaken to present the entire argument in favor of human immortality as such argument can be drawn from all possible sources—that is, from science, philosophy, and religion. Among the special topics therefore discussed by him are the various notions sometimes taken of the idea of immortality: whether a person is to live again only as an influence upon coming generations, as a kind of repetition of himself in his offspring, or as a real living individual—these and other different conceptions of the matter having been taken by scholars. Also the learned author of this book has discussed at consider-