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DEDICATION.

TO THE MEMBERS OF ALL ENGLISH-SPEAKING UNIVERSITIES.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I believe I may claim the honour of being the first to inscribe a scholastic work, or indeed a work of any kind, to you collectively. The circumstance has an important significance. Fifty years ago the idea of addressing groups of universities in every clime speaking the English tongue would hardly have entered the mind of the most far-seeing spectator. Fifty years ago, it would be almost safe to assert, there existed not even the conception of an Anglo-Australian University, while now there are four such institutions active and flourishing. The number of similar establishments in America and India, I know not. In the United States, doubtless, their number and character keep pace with the gigantic strides civilization is making in that wondrously progressive country; and, while so many and such vigorous offshoots are springing into maturity, the universities of the motherland still continue centres of intellectual life to the whole English-speaking race. great bond of union between all is a common language; and as the future of this language is of necessity interwoven with our destinies as a people, it behaves us to perfect it, and to see that it receives scientific treatment. That it