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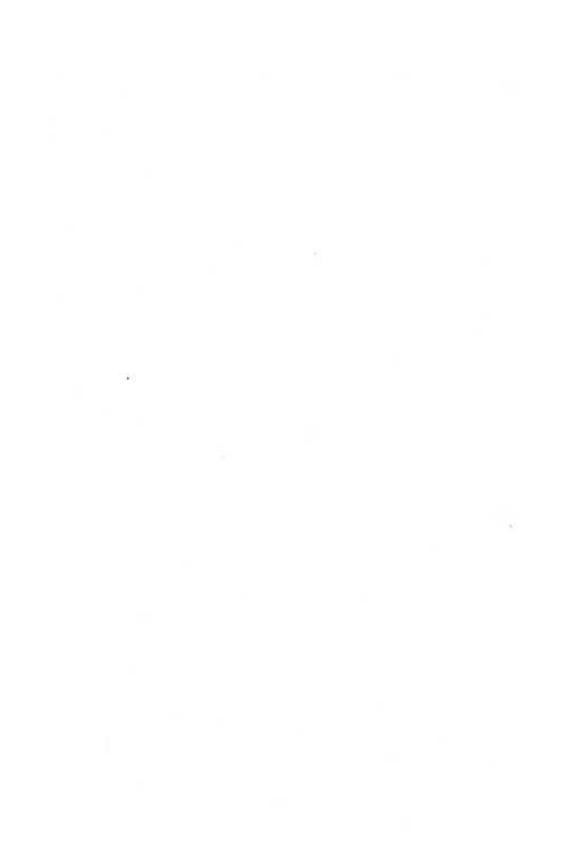
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PREFACE

These lectures were delivered in Christiania during the early spring of 1915. My aim was to present Hindu ways of looking at the eternal verities of life in simple language before the mind of the Norwegian public, with whose points of view, however, I was as utterly unfamiliar as they were with mine. In this rather venturesome undertaking, I was encouraged to persevere through an inner conviction of the uniformity, amidst a diversity of forms, of the philosophical experiences of humanity all the world over. At the same time I am persuaded, through a constant watching of the growth of the deeper life of students of many nationalities, both in the East and in the West, that the most efficient way of helping the student of soul-philosophy is not to give him any so-called academic philosophy at all, but to confer upon him the privilege of a free hand, and allow him, as it were in his own right, to bring out to his own introspection, and shape and mould, all the hidden forces of logic and light that lie dormant in his own higher nature, needing no