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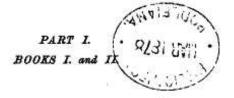
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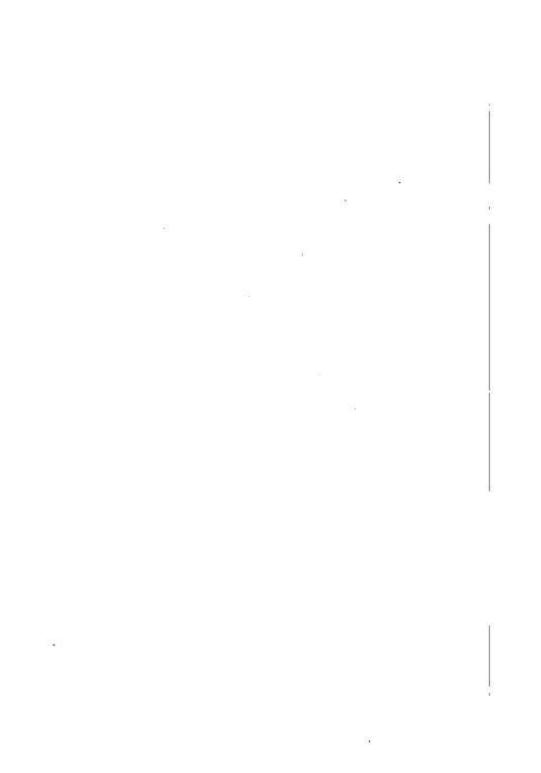


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BY THE EDITOR.

THE BOARD OF STUDIES having prescribed Books I.—II. of the Wealth of Nations as a subject for examination in the Pass Schools, no apology is needed for the appearance of the present volume, which is intended to assist beginners in acquiring a clear and accurate knowledge of that portion of Adam Smith's great work.

The Third Edition of Joyce's Analysis was published in 1821, and there does not appear to have been any later issue. Many changes and corrections have been made in the text, and the more important passages are distinguished by different types, whilst nearly all Joyce's Notes have been omitted as obsolete, and I have, in my own, constantly referred to Fawcett's Manual of Political Economy (fifth edition, 1876) as a recognised text-book (now universally read at Oxford), and to the

edition of the Wealth of Nations printed at the Clarendon Press in 1869 (with Notes by J. E. Thorold Rogers), the paging of which is given at the end of each paragraph of the Analysis. At the same time, I have endeavoured to illustrate the text by reference to standard modern authors.

General Garnier's Synopsis of Books I.—II. is printed as an Appendix, condensing even the Analysis, and suggesting to the learner a different and perhaps more facile method.

An Index and List of Authorities have been added.

Although the wants of Oxford students have been specially consulted in this edition, it may possibly be of some service to students of Political Economy in general.

W. P. E.

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