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Contemporaneity with the present sets the bounds of both the historic past and the historic future. The past is not dead, the future not unborn, but past and future alike are *vital* incidents of life now. History, what but organic recapitulation and preparation, the present's consciousness of its all-including self !

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PREFACE.

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A FINISHED book must always be to its author only a program for future work. Particularly is this true of a book that owes its being to the discussions of a university lecture-room. Thus, the present volume, growing out of work with students in political philosophy and the philosophy of history is only a preparation for something more extensive and philosophically more satisfying, and publishing it as I do for the use of my own students, who must always be more devoted to thinking than to knowing, I would have it viewed in no other light.

And this is my second attempt to formulate a view of history, the first being in *Citizenship and Salvation*.\* If the present formulation does not help the understanding of the earlier one I shall be greatly disappointed. The view itself is not a new one, but an in-

\* *Citizenship and Salvation, or Greek and Jew. A Study in the Philosophy of History.* Little Brown & Co. 1897.

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individual's statement always has some chance of being serviceable.

A. H. L.

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