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#### PREFACE.

In the following pages I have embodied my collations of six English MSS. of the Ethics. Of three of these MSS. collations have not, so far as I am aware, been hitherto published; while the only independent account published of the other three—by Wilkinson in 1715—is a meagre list of readings selected almost at random, and often inaccurately recorded, not a collation in the modern acceptation of the term.

The form in which my collations are presented I adopted with the object of assigning, if possible, each MS. to its genealogical place. If I succeed in thus throwing, by means of a natural classification of the English MSS, some light upon the general problem of the genealogy of the MSS. of the Ethics, I shall repay but a small part of the debt which I owe to Professor Rassow; for without the leading idea contained in the first section of his 'Forschungen über die Nicomachische Ethik,' I should hardly have attempted this work at all.

To the labours of Professor Susemihl I also owe much. His extensive notices of later corrections in Bekker's MSS, especially in Kb, have been of invaluable service to me. My citations from the Aldine Edition are chiefly borrowed from him,—either as its readings are actually given by him, or as I inferred them from his silence; although in a good many cases I examined the Edition for myself.

In the Fifth Book I found Mr. H. Jackson's collations useful.

In all cases, taking Bekker's collation (Berlin, 1831) as basis, I have accepted subsequent corrections of that collation by Professor Schöll, Professor Susemihl, or Mr. Jackson.

The text with which I collated all my MSS. was Bekker's (Berlin, 1845) as reprinted by Parker (Oxford, 1871).

It only remains that I should thank all who have assisted me in this work—the authorities of the University of Cambridge, of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, and of New College, Oxford, for their liberality in lending me their respective MSS; the authorities of the British Museum, and of the Bibliothèque nationale at Paris for kindly permitting me to examine theirs; Professor Vitelli and Dr. Meyncke for consulting, at my request, MSS. in Florence and Rome; and lastly, the two friends who have done me the important service of revising the proofs—Mr. John Rankine, Advocate, Edinburgh, and my colleague Mr. J. H. Onions of Christ Church.

J. A. S.

JAN. 12, 1882.

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#### ENGLISH MSS.

A = Manuscript in the Cambridge University Library (No. 1879, Ii. v. 44), sec. xiii; the Eliensis of Wilkinson, Zell, and Michelet, O\* of Susemihl.

B1= Brit, Mus. Add. MS. 14080, sec. xv; not before collated.

B'= Brit. Mus. Add. MS. 6790, sec. xv; not before collated.

B'= Brit. Mus. Royal MS. 16 C. xxi, sec. xvi; not before collated (see Appendix).

C = Manuscript in the Library of Corpus Christi College, Oxford (112), sec. xv; the CCC of Wilkinson, Zell, and Michelet, O<sup>1</sup> of Susemihl.

D = Manuscript in the Library of New College, Oxford (227), sec. xv; the NC of Wilkinson, Zell, and Michelet, O\* of Susemihl.

#### BEKKER'S MSS.

(See F. Susemihl, Die Bekkerschen Hss. der Nicom. Ethik [Neue Jahrbücher für Philologie und Pädagogik, 1878, pp. 625 ff.]).

Kb = Laurent. 81. 11, sec. x.

Lb = Par. 1854, sec. xii.

Mb = Marc. 213, sec. xv incunte.

Ob = Riccard. 46, sec. xiv.

Nb = Marc. append. 4. 53, sec xiv.

HA = Marc. 214, sec. xiv.

Pb = Vatic. 1342, sec. xiv (xiii?).