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EDITOR'S PREFACE

THE Council of the Churchmen's Union, feeling a natural desire in this supreme crisis, affecting as it does every part of the nation's life, to offer their contribution to the solution of one of its most pressing problems, invited me to edit a volume of essays, such as might help those who were perplexed in these days when the foundations seem to be shaken. Six of the writers in this volume are members of the Churchmen's Union; the other four are not necessarily in sympathy with its general policy. The co-operation of the latter will be valued, not only because of their personal distinction, but also as a guarantee that the book is intended to be a brotherly hand held out to aid those who are in trouble rather than an attempt to propagate any particular view; for it is of the essence of Liberal Churchmanship to allow thinkers of every school to deliver each his own message in his own way. It will be obvious to readers that the general harmony of the writers is tempered by differences. There has,

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indeed, been consultation between them; but each one is to be held responsible only for the opinions expressed in his own essay.

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