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At the time the present volume was published, the author announced his intention that it should eventually take the place of Parts III. and IV. of his treatise, published eight years before, and entitled, "The Vicarious Sacrifice,"—the whole, so recomposed, to bear that title. This purpose was somewhat shaken by the urgency of some of his friends, who were unwilling to lose any part of that earlier book. Since his death, this feeling has been expressed anew and very generally; indeed, among the many men of learning and judgment, and yet of varying shades of opinion, who have been consulted on this point, there has been but one voice as to the loss it would be, intellectually and historically, were the proposed omissions to be made. It seems, therefore, to those in whose hands the decision was left, a duty to retain both volumes intact, approaching, however, their author's original design as closely as possible, by publishing them as the first and second volumes of one work, and under one title—the first treating of the sacrifice of Christ especially in its relations to the character of man, and so to his redemption; the second regarding it rather as related to the mind and purposes of God.

Such an arrangement is, on the whole, more nearly in accord with the author's mind than that which he first proposed; for he, in no sense, regarded the later work as contradictory to, or inconsistent with, the former, as he distinctly states in the Introduction. The new view was

not, to his eyes, one side of the old, but beyond and above it. It was as if another lens had been added to the telescope, or a new height reached. Looking down and back then, as it were, upon those earlier steps by which his mind had climbed, it was not unnatural that he should somewhat underrate their importance, as related to the history of his own mind and to the thinking of others.

The chief objection to retaining both volumes without change, is the occasional recurrence, in the second, of matter contained in the latter half of the first. It is hoped the reader will bear in mind the original plan, as accounting for this repetition, which no revision but that of the constructing hand could now remedy.

In an appendix will be found notes left by the author, containing new matter, whereby he hoped to throw light upon certain difficult points of his subject. The whole work, as it now stands in these two volumes, represents his progressive and completed view, so far as he was able to express it, of what was, during the greater part of his life, the absorbing theme of his study and thought.—Ed.

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