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" But what avail inadequate words to reach
The innermost of Truth? Who shall essay,
Blinded and weak, to point and lead the way,
Or solve the mystery in familiar speech?
Yet, if it be that something not thy own,
Some shadow of the Thought to which our schemes,
Creeds, cult, and ritual are at best but dreams,
Is even to thy unworthiness made known,
Thou mayst not hide what yet thou shouldst not dare
To utter lightly, lest on lips of thine
The real seem false, the beauty undivine.
So, weighing duty in the scale of prayer,
Give what seems given thee. It may prove a seed
Of goodness dropped in fallow-grounds of need."

—WHITTIER.

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Preface

THE books of God are two, and all that He has taught us of Himself, His works and ways;—His essential Being and its manifestations, is contained in these two books. And they must agree; they cannot contradict each other; for their Author is one and the same, and He is Divine.

If we do not feel their harmony, it is because something is wanting in us, not in them. We have not all the facts in the case, we cannot understand the language in which the records are written. And we are too impatient, we cannot wait.

Men are realizing more and more, that the teaching of the Bible is progressive, just as the teaching of Nature is. But how differently men deal with the two books! Nature students are reverent. They desire ardently to learn what Nature has to teach, they search and study to draw from Nature her secrets. But Bible