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### PREFACE.

In the summer of 1914 the Curator of the Babylonian Collection of Yale University, Professor A. T. Clay, assigned to me the work of publishing letters belonging to the First Dynasty of Babylon. The original plan was that the work ahould not stop by merely editing the texts, but that with the text-edition there should go hand in hand the transliteration and translation of each autographed letter. My departure from New Haven since then, however, has interfered with the original plan. As the tablets which engage me at present at the Pennsylvania University Museum are of the same general order, i. e., epistolary literature, I hope that time will permit me in a not too distant future to give full transliterations and translations of all the Yale letters here published.

My thanks are due to Professor A. T. Clay for his kind assistance and his valuable suggestions during the preparation of this volume; and it affords me the highest pleasure, as an expression of appreciation and gratitude, to dedicate this volume to him.

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