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TO MY WIFE.

PREFACE.

THIS little volume of essays, the growth of years, deals with topics belonging to that border land in which theology, ethics, and economics meet. Scientifically no territory is more fascinating; practically none can be more important, for it is in this border land that the problems of life present themselves to us.

While the author's aim has been to write a work which the young person of high school attainments may read with profit, possibly even the more mature reader will not in one perusal exhaust all the meaning which has been put into it. May the author, therefore, venture to hope that the present work will find readers who deem it not unworthy of careful study?

The character of the work and the point of view from which it is written have been made so plain in the opening chapter that further words of explanation can scarcely be necessary; and it only remains for the author to express his thanks to those friends who have assisted him with wise criticisms and helpful suggestions.

Madison, Wis., U. S. A., February 19, 1896.

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