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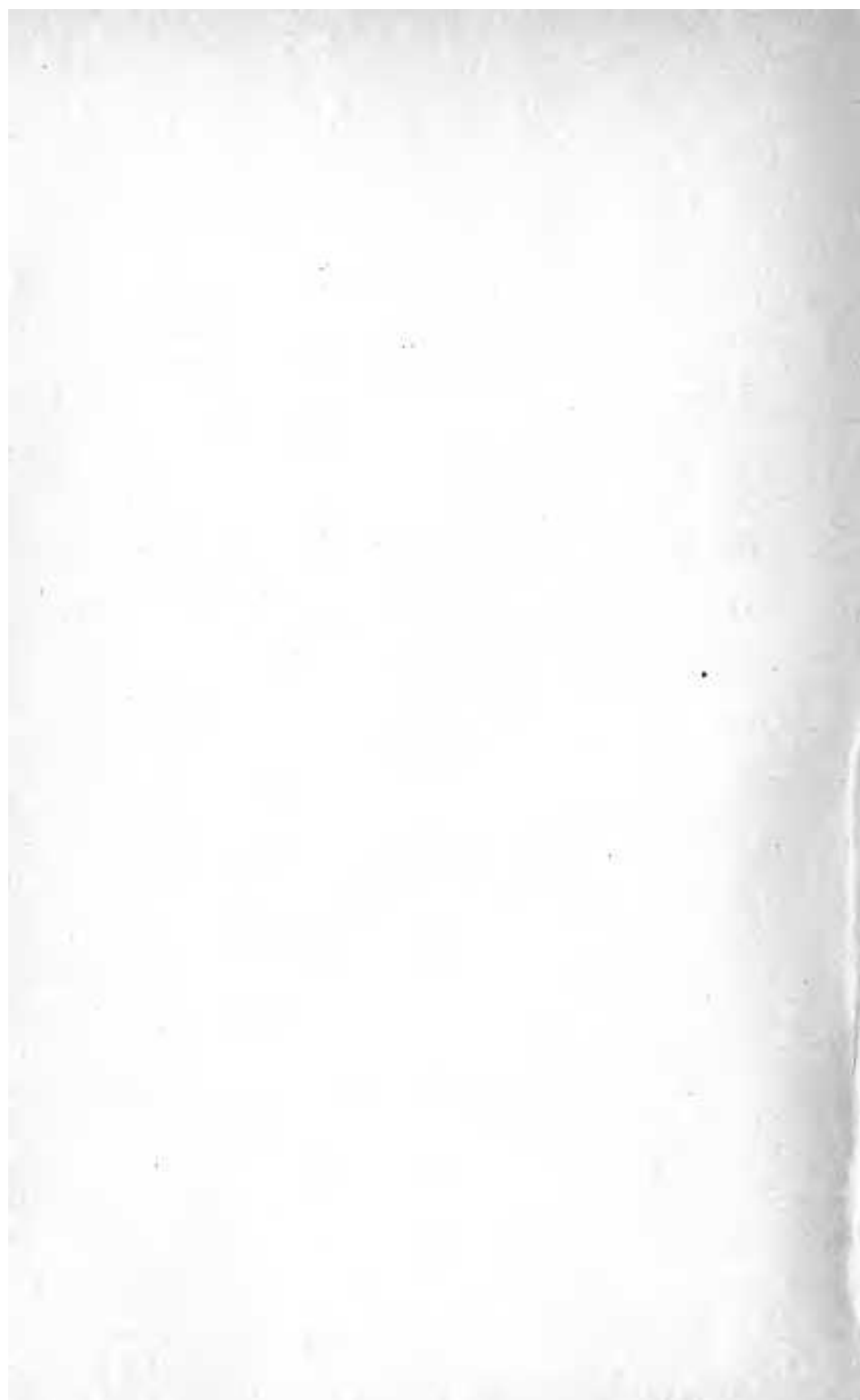
PREFACE

In submitting this essay on *The Social Philosophy of Instinct* to the public, I am full of hope that it may prove helpful to classes in Ethics, Sociology, and Psychology; for all of these are interested in one way or another in the relation of *original nature* to the values, motives, and impulses of the adult. Above all, I am hopeful that this essay may prove illuminating to our social theorists, who talk so confidently about the expression, thwarting, and repression of original nature by our customs and institutions. If it serves to introduce a more critical attitude regarding the dogmatic claims of evolutionists, which in many cases are supplying the bases of the above sciences, it will have served admirably its purpose.

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