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PREFACE.

THESE contributions to the history of ethical speculation in Britain would have had a place in a treatise on the Philosophy of Ethics, published by me nearly two years ago, had I not found that an adequate treatment of the various representative writers on Morals involved too great a departure from the line of argument within which I then wished to confine myself.¹

Ethical language has undergone so much change from time to time, and has at all times been so loosely employed, that a consistent exposition of the older writers is difficult, and to some extent involves interpretation. If the expositions given in this book

¹ See footnote to page 139 of Philosophy of Ethics.