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TO
MY MOTHER
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MRS. FANNIE LAKE

PREFACE

I am indebted to Prof. Franz Boas for the suggestion that my use of the term 'emanation' in the original MS. was too narrow to comprehend the phenomena involved. In the revision I have therefore attempted to embody this point. I have profited by discussing several of the problems involved in this work with Prof. John Dewey and Dr. A. A. Goldenweiser. Dr. Goldenweiser has been particularly generous in the giving of his time in detailed conversations. In the sections dealing with causality, particularly in so far as it is related to the physical sciences, I have followed some constructive suggestions made by Prof. W. P. Montague. I am also indebted to Prof. F. J. E. Woodbridge for assistance in a thorough revision of the text. Due to his criticisms I have in some degree softened or modified the rather iconoclastic attitude which I took toward the comparative method in ethnology. I am lastly immeasurably obligated to my mother and Mrs. Fannie Lake for their painstaking labor which has involved a host of necessary details. All

problems involved in organization, methods of research and bibliography, which necessarily become very considerable in this type of work, have been handled by Mrs. Lake in a most able and effective manner, and her measure of contribution I am therefore unable to overestimate.

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