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"To know the various devices by which a mass of bewildering facts may be reduced to order and system, to discover the trail and follow it to the heart of an unknown region, to command a situation by understanding it, to see the point, to interpret aright what is only implied or suggested, to discriminate between what is essential and what is accidental—this is the art of thinking."

*Prof. J. G. Hibben.*

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## PREFACE

A BOOK which was written and published twenty-one years ago, and for which there is still a steady demand, is a book that one does not care to interfere with, lest the interference should spoil its chances of continued success. But mental science has grown immensely since 1899 when *The Art of Thinking* was first issued; and this fact, in conjunction with the improved methods of teaching now available, makes it possible to add new features of value to the reader. Moreover, the bibliography of psychology grows apace; and the book of ten years ago on a special aspect of the mind has long since been superseded. For this reason, also, it has been deemed advisable to revise my little volume, not merely by providing more up-to-date references, but by offering detailed guidance in the selection of volumes for further study.

A new chapter has been added entitled "Some Defects of Present Day Thinking."

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