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TRANSLATOR'S PREFACE

THIS volume is a translation of the second book of Professor Wundt's *Ethik*, comprising pages 270-432 of the second German edition. It forms a concise history of Ethics, which (apart from its intrinsic interest as a feature of Wundt's ethical system) will serve to supplement Professor Sidgwick's *Outlines* by reason of its more extended treatment of Continental schools. The terminology of the first volume has been followed, and English references are substituted for the German wherever possible. Especial thanks are due to Professor E. B. Titchener, of Cornell University, for many helpful suggestions, and for a revision of the proof.

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