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“The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God”

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PREFACE.

No apology is needed for presenting to the English public a translation of the great Dominican's masterpiece. The evil he attacks is not confined to the Continent; and his eloquent defence of reason and humanity should be welcomed in England by every lover of truth, and by every honest doubter. The peculiar grace of the great orator's style must necessarily be somewhat lost in the translation from a Latin to a Teutonic tongue, but his scientific knowledge and fearless logic retain their force in any language. The peculiar value of these sermons, and the quality which would at once strike any one acquainted with theological writings, is that they are thoroughly of the present century, and exhibit a breadth of view and advanced scientific knowledge very seldom displayed by theologians of this or any age. Their utterly unsectarian character should commend

them most especially to the consideration of the thoughtful and intelligent, for whom, as the author himself tells us, they were composed. That their influence may help to root out some of the pernicious and absurd doctrines now in vogue, and at the same time strengthen those whose faith is wavering, is the translator's very earnest hope, as it is assuredly the author's most fervent prayer.

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