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To MY WIFE

Prefatory Note

THE four lectures which appear here as four chapters, were given by the writer to a considerable class which met on Sunday evenings during a winter. Each lecture served as an introduction to a detailed study of Browning's work from the point of view of that particular lecture. This may explain something in the literary manner of the book—a certain intimacy and, in Chapter IV., an undue (as it may be thought) personal note.

Those who are themselves indebted to Browning for a solid or sufficient footing in the deeper things of life will not consider any book superfluous which, however poorly executed it may be, has as its one sincere idea and reason, not to estimate the poet or to admire him, but simply to urge his message as offering in these days of ours a basis and motive for faith and hope and love.

J. A. H.

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