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# For his three Sons ALAN, ROBIN, KEITH



#### PREFACE

Some memories of George Lloyd Hodgkin have been gathered together in the following pages for his children, for his friends and for a few others who knew him but slightly or did not know him at all. His three sons will want, in the coming years, to hear all that they can of their father's life on earth: the Introductory Sketch, with its family details, was mainly written for them. His friends will, it is hoped, care to possess a record of George's doings and of his thoughts, especially when given in his own words. And there are some others likely to be interested in following the inner life of a Quaker who felt himself constrained to adopt what is known as "the Absolutist position" during the Great War.

The editing of the letters, journals and papers has been of the slightest. Obviously they were often written in haste and contain momentary flashes of thought rather than matured opinions. Sometimes they contain inconsistencies which the writer would have been the first to alter or omit before allowing them to be printed. But to do for him the chiselling he cannot now do for himself would blur the vividness of the impression I have wished to transmit. I have therefore, with the exception of a few trifling verbal corrections, preferred to print his thoughts as they stand in his own language. His writings must be interpreted in the light of his life.

Two or three of the papers have had to be short-