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PREFACE.

Last winter I contributed a series of articles to the Chicago Tribune under the caption of "Jail Types," which were so favorably noticed, both in Europe and America, that my friends have urged their appearance in book form. With some typographical corrections, the articles are here presented in their original text, with a number of additional sketches.

While they do not constitute a systematic treatise on the subject of criminology, they present the points of most importance in a form and style intended to attract and interest the general reader, who will find much to reflect upon in the line of duty as a member of society at large.

The subject necessarily contains unpleasant things, but which must be frankly discussed to be understood and properly dealt with, for they are matters of much public and private concern. The cases here given are warnings not only to the prudish and prurient minded, but also to the young
and the old; to parent and child; to the citizen and to the State.

The use of photographs does injustice to nobody, and can harm none, while they add distinctness to the text.

It will be observed that I make three essentially different classes of delinquents, viewed from a psychologic standpoint, viz.: the insane (defective in reason); the moral paretic (defective in self control); and the criminal proper (defective in conscience). This classification I first presented by an article in the Chicago Law Journal, of April, 1896, which article was copied by the Law Times, of London, England.

For those who wish to give the subject a more extended study, I hope soon to present it in a systematic form, covering the whole field in its anatomic, physiologic, psychologic and sociologic bearings.

I am greatly indebted to Mr. Wm. A. Pinkerton for the use of photographs, and to Dr. E. S. Talbot for the use of his plates of abnormal jaws.

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