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PREFACE

ONE of the most striking facts in the recent history of higher education in the United States has been the awakened interest in historical research and in the study of the social sciences. Among those who have contributed much toward the creation and stimulation of this interest, Professor William A. Dunning of Columbia University occupies a preëminent place. For more than twenty-five years he has been a distinguished member of a distinguished faculty and during this period hundreds of toilers for the doctorate have sat at his feet and received inspiration and wisdom from his teaching. His published contributions to the literature of later American history and the history of political theory have been numerous and substantial.

It was inevitable that in the natural course of events he should arrive at the goal which awaits the most eminent historical scholars of the country, namely, the presidency of the American Historical Association, a body of which he has long been one of the most active and influential members, and it was when this honor came to him a year ago that a group of his former students conceived the idea of this testimonial of their regard for him as a teacher and of their admiration for him as a man and a scholar. After some unavoidable delays the authors are now able to offer the public this modest contribution to the historical literature of a period in the study of which he has done so much to stimulate interest among investigators, and it is their hope that it may not prove unworthy of him whom they all honor and hold in such high esteem.

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