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**IS DEDICATED .**  
**IN THE NAME OF THE**  
**GREAT BRITISH NATION.**

## INTRODUCTION

I WILL be brief in my Introduction. I went to England in the year 1928. I lived in London for some time ; and much of what I saw during that period has been written in the pages of this book, interspersed with my own thoughts, findings, and observations. It is for the reader to read through the pages, ponder over the thoughts expressed, and give his own verdict.

It is left to be asked, why have I written the "London's Heart-Probe and Britain's Destiny," and what is my qualification for so doing ?

I am a British Citizen by birth—a fact in which I glory. I was born of pure-blooded Indian parentage, in a distant outpost of the British Empire, on a sugar plantation, far away in British Guiana, the only British possession on the South American mainland, in a home that had for its floor the bare earth. British Guiana is a young and fertile country, blessed with a virgin soil, and free from the excessive conventional idiosyncrasies of the Old World.

My mind constituent is composed of a combination of the thought and culture of India, England, and British Guiana. In this curious make-up I think and feel pre-eminently British. As a Britisher, therefore, I, too, am imbued with the spirit of every Britisher—it matters not in what part of the world he may be—to do his duty towards the Mother Country ; and I have written with a motive pure and untrammelled by any other feeling

but sincerity, honesty of purpose, and affection towards Old England, the centre of every Britisher's thought.

I am not a scholar. My education begins and ends in the open school of the Universe—in the study and observation of human nature, with its experiences, environments, probabilities and possibilities. With this education I am painfully conscious of my own limitations ; but I am also fully aware of the fact that my limitations have been the chief source of the strength of my penetration, probity, and discernment ; and so, such an education is something not to be despised, for such qualifications are rare, and are to be found in the possession of but a few individuals of this world.

I have probed with the lancet of Rational-Practical-Idealism into the heart of the British Civilization. The reader is the sole judge and jury on the merits of my findings. If a little blood has been spilt in the probing attempt, then it must be remembered that in an operation the surgeon cannot help spilling some blood.

If, somehow, one tittle of good has been achieved by my little effort, then surely it will give me a profound depth of satisfaction that I, too, as a Britisher, have done my duty towards Old England, OUR COMMON MOTHERLAND.

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