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## PREFACE.

THE purpose of this little book appears too clearly in the first few pages which follow for me to detain the reader on the threshold by explaining it here.

My excuse for writing a preface is that I have summarised and ventured to criticise the views of certain authors. To those authors I wish to apologise if my summaries do not seem to them to do justice to their arguments, and to assure them that, if so, it is not for want of honest endeavour on my part.

Should any of them ever see this preface, perhaps he will be placated for any inadvertent misrepresentation by the request which I now make to my readers: namely, that they should treat my summaries as incentives to study the books themselves.

To make this easier, a list of the books referred to in my text, with the names of their publishers, has been placed at the end of the last chapter. It is hardly necessary to add that it is very far from being a complete list of books which treat in some way of the future of capitalism.

As I hope to discuss the papal encyclical on The Social Order (*Quadragesimo Anno*) in a later book, I have not thought it necessary to quote it extensively here, though I hope that the following pages are in full harmony with its teaching.

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