

THE OUTCAST

He was so independent and judicial in his views that we used to call him 'the judge' even then.

"His countenance indicated his character—resolution and strength—capable of an extreme in both virtue and vice—a broad brow, a powerful jaw, a large, mobile, rather sensual mouth, a strong nose, and piercing, dark, searching eyes. His hobby was philosophy, and he was the only man of our set that knew it even by its name. He read for pleasure Greek and German philosophy. He was fond of discussing ethics and he pronounced himself a man of high morality, though he certainly was not one according to ordinary standards. He declared the Mosaic code an elaborate and even a complicated one, and used to say that Christ had substituted for it a code at once simple and complete. He had reduced ten commandments to two—love of God and love of your neighbor as yourself; all the rest he declared an elaboration, and human.

"I recall even now his discussion on one occasion of the relative importance of vari-