

part was greater than the whole. That was the fundamental fallacy of Rationalism.

2. In the region into which our present inquiry is leading us, it is important that we should remember the principle that the area of our knowledge cannot be less extensive than the area of our life. We gain knowledge by experience, and by experience one means all that comes to us consciously in the process of living. Experience has to do not merely with the things we see and hear, but also with all the things that happen to us, all the things we do, all the things we feel, all the things we think. We live in contact with what is around us, and every bit and detail of that contact adds something to our experience. We draw in experience at every pore. And experience is the raw material of organised knowledge. Clearly, the only things we can ever know are those which come to us directly or indirectly through our actual dealings with the world. We act upon the world, and the