

*stock phrases that are always ready and at pen's point for this purpose. The major portions of the criticisms and statements from those of this class will be falsehoods — deliberate and vicious — and the interesting part of it is that they know they are such, even while they are uttering them.*

*It perchance may not be unwise or amiss to say that those of the class first mentioned, as well as that portion of the public press that is not owned or controlled, or whose policies are not shaped by, or their cues taken from, the forces of greed and privilege and public debauchery, but that stand true to the higher manhood and for the higher public welfare, while they will agree with and sanction the general purpose of the little book, will not agree with the author in all particulars. Nor is such to be expected.*

*Again, it may not be amiss to say by way of foreword, that on the part of those or rather many, in the Academic world, the little book will not be accepted, on the ground of its being not "scientific," or "scholarly" (or orthodox?) but "popular." The author wishes to acknowledge at once this criticism, and to state most frankly that he has not aimed to make it academic, or technical, or orthodox, but that he has deliberately aimed to make it a simple, concrete little volume along the lines with which it deals, "popular," in the sense of its being for that splendid great "common people" that has made this, as well as every nation of importance and power in the world's history, and upon whose welfare all depends; and who,*