EDITOR’S FOREWORD

ANNA GEORGE de MILLE was intensely proud of her authorship of this biography of her father—as indeed she had a right to be. She literally suffered through the slightest changes made upon suggestion in the original manuscript and she stood in dread and contempt of what she called “ghost writers.” Consequently, the form and spirit of her biography have been preserved, for the editor was well aware of Mrs. de Mille’s wishes. He is indebted, and the author would also have expressed that indebtedness, to many persons too numerous to mention here for their assistance in at last bringing this account of the life of Henry George into print. Among those to whom special acknowledgement should be made are: Mrs. Louis F. Post; Mr. Lawson Purdy (one of Henry George’s few surviving intimates, whose memory of some events has been checked against the manuscript); the late Lord Josiah Wedgwood; Mr. Will Lissner of the New York Times; Mr. Robert Clancy, executive director of the Henry George School; the Henry George News; The American Journal of Economics and Sociology, in which portions of the biography have appeared; the Robert Schalkenbach Foundation; and the faithful keepers of the Henry George Collection in the New York Public Library. The kind help of these persons and institutions from time to time has made possible the publication of this book.

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